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BIRTHS.

BYRNE—March 19, 1931, at 5 West View terrace, Bray, to Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Byrne, a son.

HORSBRUGH-PORTER—On Wednesday, April 8, 1931, at 89 Lower Baggot street, Monica, the wife of W. E. Horsbrugh-Porter, of a daughter.

WELD—April 6, 1931, at Possextown, Enfield, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weld, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

DONOVAN and DE LA COUR—April 8, 1931, at Corpus Christi Church, Maiden Lane, London, Major-General Sir William Donovan, K.C.B., late R.A.M.C., to Annie Lombard Becher ("Dot"), eldest daughter of the late R. W. De La Cour, Barrister-at-Law, formerly of Cork.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

ARMSTRONG—April 8, 1931, at Blacklion, County Cavan, Georgina Olive, daughter of John and Minnie Armstrong. Funeral to-day (Friday) at 2 o'clock to Florencecourt.

BINNIE—April 8, 1931, at his residence, Gordon House, 110 Lower Drumcondra road, Alexander, beloved husband of Elizabeth Binnie. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Funeral (private) to Mount Jerome to-morrow (Saturday) at 9.30 a.m.

CAMPBELL HALL—April 8, 1931, at Rowantree, Monaghan, after a brief illness, James Campbell Hall, D.L., M.B. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday), 11th inst., at 12 o'clock noon. No flowers, by request.

FREYER—April 9, 1931, at Aughris, Cleggan, Dr. Patrick Freyer, aged 66 years. R.I.P. Funeral, Omey, after 10 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Saturday) morning.

GREER—April 7, 1931, at Rhone Hill, Dungannon, Lucy Matilda, wife of George Greer. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

McNAMARA—April 9, 1931, at Dooneen Point-to-Point Races, Charles McNamara, Lord Edward street, Ballina, aged 86 years, father of Mrs. Ward, father-in-law of Thomas Canavan, Crossmolina. High Mass to-morrow (Saturday). Funeral, afternoon, to League Cemetery.

MORRIS—April 8, 1931, at 9 Castle street, Tralee, Emily S. Morris. "Peace, perfect peace."

O'HAGAN—At his residence, 101 Phibsborough road, Dublin, Michael (Mick) O'Hagan. Deeply mourned. Funeral (private), after 10 o'clock Mass, St. Peter's Church, Phibsborough, Dublin, to-morrow (Saturday) morning, 11th inst.

RITCHIE—April 9, 1931, at Glenageary, Mary J., beloved wife of Thomas Ritchie. Funeral (private) to Oughterard, County Kildare.

STUART—April 8, 1931, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin, George Barclay Stuart, representative *Daily Mail*. Funeral, 10.15, this morning from St. Vincent's to Mount Jerome.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mr. and **Mrs. Kelly**, 34 Castle street, Dalkey, desire to return sincere thanks to the many friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement and to those who sent flowers and letters of sympathy. They trust that this announcement will be accepted by all in grateful acknowledgment.

The family of the late **Mrs. E. McKeon**, 73 Brighton square, Rathgar, desire to return their heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and also those who sent floral tributes, trusting this acknowledgment will be accepted by all.

The relatives of the late **Patrick Michael Short** wish to thank their kind friends who sympathised with them in their sad bereavement, and trust this will be accepted by all.

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MOTOR NOTES AND NEWS.

The Highways and By-ways of Ireland. The Condition of the Roads : A Helpful Survey.

NO matter how early Easter is, or how uninviting the weather may be, this particular holiday definitely marks the opening of the touring season. Every owner strives to have his car ready for the Easter week-end.

Just now many are contemplating day, week-end and longer tours, and some indication as to the condition of the road surfaces which may be expected will, no doubt, aid considerably in mapping out their intended routes. While the main roads of the country, and, indeed, many secondary roads, have, within recent years, been improved one might fairly say "beyond recognition," yet there are still several roads leading to important centres and, particularly holiday resorts, which the motorist who appreciates easy riding and desires to avoid accidents to springs, tyres and other parts of the chassis will leave out of his or her itinerary.

A complete report on the condition of the surfaces of roads in Ireland has just been issued by the Automobile Association, from which the following valuable information is culled.

LEINSTER AREA.

Taking Dublin as the starting point in this area, the roads to Wicklow, Dundalk, Newbridge, Navan, Kilcock, Mullingar, Athlone, Tullamore, Naas, Carlow, Maynooth and Wexford (via Enniscorthy) are reported on as good. The highway to Slane is fair, and that to Dunlavin good to Harristown (reconstruction is taking place at Brannockstown), and the remainder of the way fair. From Enniscorthy to Newtownbarry the road is poor, but the roads from Enniscorthy to Wexford, Arklow and New Ross are good. Enniscorthy town in under repairs.

From Kilkenny the roads to Waterford, Clonmel and Athy (via Carlow) come under the heading of good, but that leading to New Ross, as far as Bennett's Bridge, is bad, the remainder being fair.

In the area of Longford the road between the town and Arvagh is dangerous, and motorists, if possible, should avoid travelling over it, while the road from the same town to Ballymahon is bad.

DUNDALK CENTRE.

The highway from Dundalk to Castleblayney is bad, but for the remainder of the way to Monaghan good. The main route from Dundalk to Belfast has an almost perfect surface, and few will complain of the character of the continuation of this route *via* the coast road as far as Portrush. Between Dundalk and Carlingford there is a very poor stretch of roadway at the Bush Railway Station.

Around Drogheda the roads are, without exception, good—*i.e.*, those to Slane, Navan, Carrickmacross, Trim, Barracks and Ardee. The Athlone-Roscommon road is poor to within four miles of Roscommon, while those leading to Birr (as far as Togher), to Galway, Longford (as far as Ballymahon), to Cavan (as far as Edgeworthstown) are good, the remaining parts being fair. The roads from Athlone to Tuam and Dunmore (*via* Mount Belle) are fair, but the road to Tullamore *via* Clara is bad.

DONEGAL AREA.

Tourists will have little to complain of the main routes either from Dublin or Belfast into Donegal, with the exception of part of the road between Dundalk and Castleblayney, but some of the roads radiating from Donegal into the highlands, though improved, still need considerable attention to make them pleasant for touring. The road from the town to Killybegs is poor as far as Mount Charles, and bad from Mount Charles to Glenties. To Stranorlar and Pettigo the roads are good, from Glenties to Portnoo and Dungloe the roads are fair, but there are some bad stretches between Gweedore and Dungloe; otherwise this road is good. The Gweedore-Dunfanaghy road is bad, Killybegs to Malin More is poor, as also is the road to Ardara, while that from Ardara to Glencolumbkille is very poor.

CONNAUGHT AREA.

In the Connaught area roads of almost every character will be met with, but most main routes will be found from fair to good. From Galway to Recess the road as far as Oughterard is good, but the remainder poor, while the coast road to Clifden is fair. Both the Galway-Headford and the Galway-Mountbellew roads are good, as well as that leading to Tuam *via* Ballinderry.

From Ballina to Belmullet *via* Bangor the road is rough, but to Sligo is good. Care in driving will be necessary when touring in the Leenane centre, the roads to which from Oughterard, Clifden, Westport and Maam-Cong being between poor and fair, while the roads in the district of Mallaranny are reported on as rough and poor. From Westport to Newport, Mallaranny, Leenane, Ballinrobe and Castlebar fair road surfaces will be experienced, except part of the road from Westport to Mallaranny.

MUNSTER AREA.

Regarding Cork as one of the centres of this area, the roads radiating from it for a distance of fifty or sixty miles are good, with few exceptions, which include the Cork-Tallow-Lismore route. This is bad *via* Conna and Aghern. The main routes to Bantry and Killarney are good, but the drive from the city to Glengariff is only good as far as Macroom, from which point to Glengariff it is bad. The road to Waterford is in good condition, while those to Castletownbere and Kenmare are fair. From Kenmare to Sneem and Parknasilla are bad, but to Killarney and Tralee good.

Of the six main thoroughfares leading from Limerick only two—those to Ennis and Sixmiletown—are favourably reported on. The Tipperary roads leading to Cork, Tullamore, Cashel and Cahir are registered as good. The Waterford highways between that city and Cork, Clonmel and Cashel are reported good; but there are poor stretches on the road from Waterford to Wexford and a point past New Ross.

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WANTED, NURSE for Cottage Hospital. Apply, copies, full particulars, Matron, The Hospital, Arklow, Co. Wicklow. 8 A

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EXPERIENCED Shorthand Typist desires position.—C 559, this office. 8 A

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Apologies were received from Messrs. William R. Burgess, Arthur H. Seale and Octavius Wallace, M.A.

The Chairman, having made sympathetic reference to the death of Mr. Henry Conyngham, who was for many years a Life Governor of the Institution and an esteemed and valued member of the Committee of Management, it was directed that the deepest sympathy of the Board be conveyed to his son, Mr. William B. Conyngham, and other members of his family, in their very sad bereavement.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

The reports of the Visiting Physician (Dr. Winter) of the Ladies' Visiting Committee and of the monthly visitors were submitted, and orders were made thereon.

Messrs. A. C. Sibthorpe and William Montgomery kindly consented to act as Visitors during the ensuing month.

The accounts for the past month, previously examined by the Secretary, and submitted to the Ladies' Committee, were laid before the Board, and cheques in discharge thereof, amounting to £89 8s. 2d. were signed.

Other routine business having been disposed of, the Board adjourned.

The following subscriptions are gratefully acknowledged:—

Arnott Bequest Fund, £3; Messrs. George Petty, Maguire and Paterson, and Dublin Port and Docks' Board, £2 2s. 0d. each; Messrs. C. H. B. Caldwell and G. A. Newson, £2 each; Messrs. Thomas A. Crampton, Henry Smartt, James Logan, Miss L. M. Montgomery, Miss I. M. Montgomery ("In memory of the late Miss Edith M. Montgomery") and Mrs. Paul, £1 1s. 0d. each; Messrs. George F. Healy, Adam Lloyd-Blood, E. R. Winter, Edmund J. Webb, Charles E. Sutton and Mrs. Blair White, £1 each; Messrs. W. W. Carruthers, James Anderson, Arthur Law and Miss F. M. Adair, 10s. each.

Further subscriptions and donations are earnestly solicited, and will be thankfully received by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Peter Good, Sydenham, Merrion road; or by the Secretary, at the Institution.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—Morning Service at 10 o'clock. Psalm, 118. Benedictus, 28. Litany. Hymn, 413. Evening Service at 4 o'clock. Unaccompanied Service. Psalm, 126. Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, King in F. Anthem, "Lord, for Thy tender mercies' sake," Farrant, 346.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. — Morning Prayer at 10.45 o'clock. Hymn, 159. Litany. Evening Prayer at 3 o'clock. King in F. Anthem, "For our offences," Mendelssohn.

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INTEREST PAID AT RATE OF 866 PER CENT.

(BEFORE MR. HANNON.)

A woman named Anna Byrne, living at 101 Railway street, was summoned by Inspector O'Neill and Guard Costello for carrying on a money-lending business without being registered.

Mr. Clarke, solicitor (Chief State Solicitor's office), prosecuted.

Mrs. Margaret Curry, 6 Gloucester place, stated that on September 1st she received a loan of £1 from the defendant for one week, and at the end of the week she gave the defendant £1 3s. 4d. The £1 was returned to her, and she had been paying 3s. 4d. a week interest up to the time of the summons, and still owed £1. On Christmas Eve she received a loan of 5s. from defendant. For this she had to pay 1s. 8d. a week, which, with the 3s. 4d. weekly interest for the first loan, made 5s. a week, which she was continuing to pay up to the time the prosecution was instigated.

Mr. Clarke—You do not know that you were paying at the rate of 866 per cent.

Mrs. Barnett, 5 Lower Gloucester street, said that she received a loan of £1 from the defendant, and sent her £1 3s. 4d. every week. The £1 was returned to her each week on loan.

Mrs. Elizabeth Quinn, 103 Lower Gloucester street, stated that she received the loan of 2s. from the defendant, and paid interest at the rate of 4d. per week.

Another witness, Mrs. Margaret Mulcahy, 6 Lower Gloucester place, stated that she paid the defendant 10d. a week on a loan of 5s.

Mrs. Byrne, the defendant, denied having any dealings with the women who had given evidence.

Mrs. Annie Smith (defendant's landlady) said that she kept a shop, and defendant lived upstairs. It was to her (witness) that the money was due for shop bills, bread, tea, sugar and other groceries. Mrs. Byrne did not lend money. Those people were customers, and if they wanted a loan of a shilling or two she (witness) gave it to them, but there was no interest.

Mr. Hannon convicted, and imposed a fine of £2.

ATTEMPT TO BURGLE CHURCH SAFE.

NEW CHARGES AGAINST YOUTHS INVOLVED.

(BEFORE MR. LITTLE.)

Inspector Hannon, Superintendent Hughes (Howth), Sergeant 30 E, and Detective Officers Brady and Moran charged, on remand, Michael Hatton (17½) and Christopher O'Connor (17), both of Crumlin village, with breaking and entering the Church of Ireland Church of St. Mary, Crumlin, on Good Friday, and attempting to break open the safe in the sacristy containing £250 worth of silverplate.

Inspector Hannon told the Court that he had six new charges to prefer against the defendants. One of these was concerned with a school at Santry, Co. Dublin, and, as Superintendent Hughes was unable to attend to produce evidence in connection with it, he asked for a remand.

The defendants were further remanded for a week in custody.

FUGITIVE OFFENDERS ACT.

Michael Kennedy was charged with an offence under the Fugitive Offenders Act, alleged to have been committed in Alberta, Canada.

The question of the extradition of the defendant under the Fugitive Offenders Act had, for the past month, been before the Supreme Court, and a fortnight ago that Court decided that the District Justice (Mr. E. J. Little) had power to deal with the case.

Mr. J. M. Fitzgerald, K.C., in seeking for a further adjournment of the District Court procedure, said that he understood that Mr. Little was about to go away on holidays.

Mr. T. Clarke, solicitor (Chief State Solicitor's Office), who appeared for the prosecution, agreed to the case being heard before Mr. Cussen on the 22nd inst.

A DUBLIN LABOUR DISPUTE.

COUNCILLOR AND LORD MAYOR.

At next Monday's meeting of the Dublin Corporation, Councillor James Larkin, jun., will move:—

"That this Council protests against the efforts of the Lord Mayor to induce the workers now in dispute at the Greenmount and Boyne Linen Company, Harold's Cross, to accept a reduction in wages, and is of opinion that the use of the office of Lord Mayor on behalf of employers in industrial disputes must be repudiated by this Council."

FUNERAL OF MR. A. J. STOPFORD.

The funeral of Mr. Ayre J. Stopford took place yesterday from the Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, to Mount Jerome Cemetery. The Service at the churchyard was conducted by the Rev. E. G. Sullivan, M.A., Rector of Rathfarnham, who was assisted by the Rev. J. A. Battersby, Rector of Christ Church, Hemel Hampstead, Herts.

The chief mourners were:—Mrs. J. A. Battersby, daughter; the Rev. J. A. Battersby, son-in-law; Percival Hunt, brother-in-law; Patrick Sarsfield, and T. Harman, cousins.

Among others present were.—Messrs. H. G. Ryder, A. C. Aykroyd, B. T. Appleby, R. C. Taylor, A. E. Davy, D. Hopkins, J. Lewis, J. E. Clements, J. Murray, E. Hallett, G. Henry, W. J. Wilkinson, T. Ingram, A. C. Orr, T. Gill, V. T. Forsyth, H. Phillips, L. Forsyth, A. D. McMurty, F. R. McMurty, R. Erskine, Mrs. Davy, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Price, and Mrs. R. Erskine.

Cattle Prices.

Average prices per cwt., live weight, of fat cattle, fat sheep and fat lambs in yesterday's Dublin market:—

FAT CATTLE.

Year.	April 9. s.	d.	April 2. s.	d.	March 26. s.	d.
1931	40	9	40	9	40	3
At corresponding dates in previous years:						
1930	48	9	48	9	47	3
1929	48	6	47	0	47	0
1920	94	0	92	6	91	9
1916	53	6	52	6	52	0
1914	—		—		33	0

FAT SHEEP.

Year.	April 9. s.	d.	April 2. s.	d.	March 26. s.	d.
1931	49	9	50	6	49	6
At corresponding dates in previous years:						
1930	60	9	61	6	60	6
1929	63	6	66	0	65	0
1920	120	0	122	6	122	6
1916	61	6	60	0	58	9
1914			—		47	6

FAT LAMBS.

Year.	April 9. s.	d.	April 2. s.	d.
1931	95	3	104	0
At corresponding dates in previous years:				
1930	—		—	
1929	—		—	
1920	92	9	107	3
1916	171	9	148	6
1914	—		—	

The bread that is best, and eaten with zest—"BERMALINE."—Advt.

LONDON THEATRES.

"WHITE HORSE INN."

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday.

At the Coliseum last night, a play—or, perhaps, it should be called a spectacle—from the German "White Horse Inn," was produced, and scored an immense success. It is full of charming surprises and many unfamiliar devices: the audience was almost bewildered by the succession of beautiful scenes. A fall of real water, a heavy shower of rain, a swimming bath, with a water ballet; a herd of property cows of amusing propensities, a motor coach filled with visitors, a five minutes' tour by a paddle steamboat on a lake with revolving scenery, the arrival of the Emperor Francis Joseph on a hunting expedition, Tyrolean yodellers appearing in the most unexpected places, and a number of live animals, were among the attractions, in addition to some amusing acting and very ne singing and dancing by a brilliant company, with Mr. Clifford Mollison and Miss Lea Seide at its head.

Some wonderful lighting effects from Berlin are employed, in addition to the triple-revolving stage. The whole produced something like a sensation, well-seasoned playgoers declaring that they had never seen anything to eual it. A most enthusiastic ovation was accorded to Mr. Erik Charrel and Mr. Max Rivers, the producers, and to everybody else at the close.

"FIVE FARTHINGS."

Miss Marie Tempest, who has been away for a long holiday, returned last night to the Haymarket Theatre in a new play entitled "Five Farthings," by Mr. A. R. Rawlinson. Miss Tempest has to bear the main burden; for the other *rôles* are somewhat sketchy. She plays the part of a hostess of a pension on the Riviera, and is struggling against a tide of adversity, which threatens to engulf her. In the nick of time she learns that her wealthy son is on his way home from Africa to see her for the first time in fourteen years. He pictures her as a dear old Victorian lady, so she arrays herself in garments of the past, and sets out with the idea of marrying her wealthy son to one of her young friends.

This episode is a riot of fun; for Miss Tempest wrestles with a huge piece of crochet work, of which she knows nothing, asserts that she prefers tea to cocktails, and carries things through in her most delightful form. She could scarcely have played better, and her efforts were splendidly supported by Mr. Graham Brown, as a long-suffering butler; Mr. Cyril Raymonds, as the son, with curious Victorian ideas, and Miss Adrienne Aller, as a charming girl sweetheart.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, April 10, 1931.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.

Before the Master, at 11 o'clock. Motions of Course. Summary Summonses—Toher v. Purcell; Brosnan v. the Killarney Urban District Council; Korhane v. Greene; O. and M. Kleemann v. Samuels and Sons, Ltd.; Lewis Rose and Co., Ltd., v. same; E. B. and S. Shevloff, Ltd., v. same; Leek v. same; Viener v. same; Beatty v. Burgess; Duggan v. Treacy; Hoyte and Son, Ltd., v. Williams; the Southern Insurance Co., Ltd., v. Walsh; Daly v. Whelan; the Bank of Ireland v. Russell; Kennedy v. Ryan; the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. McKeever; J. Kirkham and Co., v. Cassidy; Haywood and Haywood, Ltd., v. Cunningham; same v. Lloyd; Tydd v. Joyce; Dockrell v. Bates; Glen v. Latchman; J. Harris and Co., Ltd., v. McFarland; Cunnington v. same; the Imperial Tobacco Co., Ltd., v. Hanna; Winget, Ltd., v. Byrne; Doyle v. Murphy. On Notice—Murtagh v. McCormack.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.
(Examiners' Chambers, 93 Merrion square.)

Before Mr. Jeffrey White, Chief Examiner, at 11.15 o'clock. A. P. Bastable (S.504)—Discharge rulings. At 12 o'clock—Isabella Bolton and others (S.1051)—Vouch. At 1 o'clock—M. A. McCarthy (S.169-38)—Vouch. At 3.15 o'clock—E. M. Davies (S.633) (Bell's rentcharge)—Discharge rulings and vouch.

Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock. H. G. W. Perry (S.872)—Discharge rulings. At 12 o'clock—F. R. Woodley (S.1714) (Guisani's rent). At 12.30 o'clock—O. C. St. John (S.6050)—Discharge rulings.

Before Mr. Franks, at 11 o'clock. James U. Alley (S.5954)—Vouch. At 3 o'clock—Hamilton Reid and others (S.6632) (Montgomery's rent)—Discharge rulings.

Before Mr. Leet, at 11 o'clock. Richard K. Gamble (E.C.8310)—Vouch. At 11.30 o'clock—George Gamble (S.1212)—Vouch. At 3.15 o'clock—William Hopkins (S.1772)—Vouch.

Before Mr. Brett, at 11 o'clock. Daniel X. Keenan and others (S.1448 and 1876)—Vouch. At 12 o'clock—Charles B. Moffatt (S.1787)—Vouch. At 1 o'clock—Rev. Arthur Whyte Venables (S.2080)—Vouch. At 3 o'clock—Samuel A. McKeever (S.4532)—Vouch.

Before Mr. Grove White, at 11 o'clock. E. V. O'Neill and another (S.1155 and 1554) (Wade's rent)—Discharge rulings.

WIDENING OF TARA STREET.

£10,000 LOAN NEEDED.

Among matters to be considered at the next meeting of the Dublin City Council will be the widening of Tara street. This improvement was determined on by the late City Commissioners, following the decision to reconstruct Butt Bridge.

Mr. Sherlock, City Manager, has reported to the Council concerning the cost of widening Tara street from Burgh quay to Poolbeg street. He states that "it is anticipated that the cost of the road work will be provided out of a grant from the Road Fund, but it will be necessary for the Corporation to provide the money for acquisition and incidental expenses. The amount estimated to be required for this purpose is £10,000."

The City Manager recommended that application should be made to the Minister for Local Government for authority to borrow that amount.

PROPOSED 'BUS STATIONS.

Councillor David Coyle intends to ask the Council to appoint a committee to prepare a scheme for erecting platforms on either side of the Liffey for central motor 'bus stations and car parks. The committee will be asked to consider how these stations could be made self-supporting, that they might not become a charge on the rates.

MUNICIPAL KITCHENS.

Mr. Robert Briscoe, T.D., will move that the Council should request the City Manager to furnish particulars as to the possibility and cost of a domestic water supply for Lucan.

Mr. Briscoe also will move "That the City Manager be requested to furnish the Council with particulars as to the possibility of starting municipal kitchens in Dublin."

SIR PATRICK DUN'S HOSPITAL.

A meeting of the Board of Governors of Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital was held on Thursday morning, the 9th April, at 10 o'clock, Professor T. Gillman Moorhead in the chair. Also present:—Lord HolmPatrick, Mr. J. Walter Beckett, Miss M. Angela Boland, Dr. C. C. de Burgh Daly, Mr. F. Morgan Mooney, Alderman Myles Keogh, Lady Taylor, Professor W. E. Thrift, and the Registrar.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Minutes of General Purposes and Nursing Committee and the House and Finance Committee were also read, approved and signed. Accounts for March, amounting to £943 13/8, were examined and passed, and cheques signed in discharge of same. Receipts for the month came to £1,500 6/7. The House Surgeon reported that 1,608 patients were treated in the various dispensaries during the past month, and that 159 cases were admitted into the wards.

The Governors acknowledge with thanks receipt of cheque for £37,387 19/2 from Hospitals' Trust, Limited.

The following subscriptions and donations were received since last meeting, for which the Governors return thanks to the donors:—The Irish Banks' Rugby Football Cup Competition, per D. C. Fitzpatrick, Esq., £6 9/-; Miss Redington Roche, £1; Mrs. M. Doran, £1; Mrs. Waller-Sawyer, £6; Employés Messrs. James O'Keeffe and Co., Ltd., £3 19/4; Mrs. George Symes, £1; the Arnott Bequest Fund, per the *Irish Times*, Ltd., £3; the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Hospital Fund, £10 10/-.

The Governors are also thankful for the following kind gifts received per the Lady Superintendent—Lord HolmPatrick, periodicals; Mrs. Steward, periodicals; Mrs. Phelps, magazines and illustrated papers; Packing Cases, Ltd., two loads of firewood; Mrs. Elliott, box of eggs; Dr. Gill, periodicals; Lady Walker, goods for jumble sale; Mrs. Pratt Whelan, goods for jumble sale; Lady Taylor, goods for jumble sale; Miss Sibthorpe, goods for jumble sale; the Manager, Gaiety Theatre, tickets for matinee for Staff; and the *Irish Times*, Ltd., and the *Independent Newspapers*, Ltd., for free copies of daily papers sent in for the patients.

Orchids and Orchid-Hunters.

A FASCINATING PASTIME.

FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

"The late Lord Melchett's famous collection of orchids was sold by auction in London for £1,689." This extract from a daily paper represents the fate of many great collections of these rare and beautiful exotics. Acquired at considerable outlay through years of careful selection, they are at length dispersed far and wide for a mere tithe of their original value by a few taps of the auctioneer's hammer. Orchid-growing is a recent branch of horticulture, only little more than a century old, since the vast majority of these plants hail from far-distant parts of the world, many of which are difficult of access. In order to procure such rarities, firms despatch hardy and enterprising collectors to all parts of the globe, whose sole mission is to acquire and send home orchids, and any uncommon or beautiful plant that they may chance to discover. There is a whole volume of romance to be written on the history of orchid or plant collecting, and bare statements in monographs as "discovered in the hottest forests of Jara by Lobb," or "obtained by Skinner from Guatemala" cover enthralling stories of exploration and adventure. Even the finding of the plants themselves is a hazardous and "chancy" task. The traveller who stalks through tropic jungles, constantly expecting to be ravished with glimpses of the most beautiful flowers is very apt to be disappointed. Orchids grow on trees, rocks, or the ground, some very high up, others low or at varying altitudes, and almost all require careful search amidst thick vegetation, with constant risks from wild beasts, snakes or the myriad biting, stinging, blood-sucking ants, insects and wasps. Even when the plants are found there are great difficulties of transport and packing. Many a collection has been lost in transit, and thousands of valuable orchids destroyed through faulty packing or careless handling. Besides the legitimate plant gatherers, other explorers and missionaries, who are often men of education and culture, send home many specimens of plants, and we owe some of our finest orchids to their taste and observation.

THE ORCHID HUNTER.

Many strange tales are told of the plant hunters, and the queer strokes of luck that have converted an unsuccessful and expensive journey into a positive triumph, financial and botanical. A collector in New Guinea had long sought everywhere for a certain orchid that he had heard existed. Long and fruitless was his search in the muggy New Guinean swamps, with ever the prospect of attack by savages and conversion into "long pig." Eventually he came to a friendly village, and succeeded in establishing amicable relations with the natives. Wandering around one day he chanced upon the local burying ground, and, behold! great clusters of resplendent purple blooms graced the tombs of the departed. How to acquire the plants was a difficult matter, since the graveyard was strictly "tabu" and violation of its sanctity meant trouble. There was only one thing to do, and the Collector did it. He became "blood brother" with the chief, and was "made free" of the local necropolis. He risked inoculation with unpleasant native diseases, but gathered a good bundle of new and valuable orchids.

A somewhat similar experience befell another traveller in the Philippines. He, too, had wasted much time, and at length, worn out with fever and disappointments, sought refuge in a village, where he occupied a rickety, ill-thatched hut. Lying helplessly in his camp bed, while the fever slowly abated, he glanced listlessly up to the forest roof, which showed clearly through the scanty thatch, and watched the leaves stirring with the heavy-scented jungle breeze. A sudden, stronger gust dispelled his apathy; for a large bough, moving aside, revealed a glimpse of great gold and purple blooms, that, like some powerful tonic, rendered convalescence rapid.

THE CHANCE OF THE SEARCH.

Chance, indeed, looms very largely in the life of an orchid collector. The late J. G. Veitch, despairing of finding any plants of *Vanda Batemanni*, which he only knew from a chance specimen discovered on the roots of *Cypripedium Philippineuse*, at length turned his boat homewards. However, he put in at a small islet, and to his delight found the nearby rocks covered with the plants which he desired.

Then, of course, there is the fairly recent story of the beginner who set out to find a new and rare species, and got it in the shape of nearly forty thousand plants in one glorious array along a small glade. A curious fact is that often, when fresh supplies are required, the most careful search fails to reveal any more plants in the vicinity. Owing to this fact, and to the oversight of some collectors, who fail to note the locality of their finds, quite a number of orchids become out of cultivation from time to time though usually fresh specimens are discovered.

COMMON VARIETIES.

Without going in for rarities, the ordinary orchidologist has a very considerable range of inexpensive and beautiful forms from which to choose. *Cattleyas*, *Odontoglossa*, *Cypripedia*, *Lolias*, *Masdevallias* and a host of others afford scope for a good and interesting collection. Besides, there are "sports" of even the ordinary varieties that may prove of very considerable value; if the collector chooses to go in for hybridisation he might not only evolve a new flower of great beauty, but recoup himself handsomely for his wait of two or three years.

The orchids at Glasnevin, largely owing to the care of Sir Frederick Moore, the late Curator, form one of the finest representative collections in the British Isles, and nearly always have some exquisite specimen in bloom. At the present time *Maxillaria Melegris*, *Coelogyne Lawrenceanum*, *Moorea-irrorata*, *Lycaste Skinneri*, and the exquisite *Vanda Tricolor* are among the lovely flowers. *L. Skinneri* was discovered by the late Mr. Ure Skinner in Guatemala, and *Moorea-irrorata* is particularly interesting, as it first flowered in the Gardens, Glasnevin, and is named in honour of Sir Frederick Moore. Burbidge, a former Curator of the gardens, was one of the most celebrated collectors, and is famed for a magnificent collection of *Nepenthes* or Pitcher Plants, which he brought back from Borneo.

Orchid cultivation is a fascinating hobby, and need not prove very expensive. Apart from the thrill of originating a new hybrid or producing some lucrative sport, the amateur may chance to "pick up" some new and rare plant from the importers, a shrivelled rhizome that may grow into an exquisite flower. He may not have the experience of Mr. Wedderburn in H. G. Wells's story, who was nearly eaten by his darling, but there is ever the chance of a rarity. Even our temperate climes possess many species of orchid, which, though they lack the gorgeousness of their foreign cousins, nevertheless, are well worth transplanting for the rock garden or some moist corner of the garden. The fields round parts of Dublin are gay with several common species during the summer months.

As if satisfied with their appearance, Orchids have little perfume, and that often sickly, though there are most welcome exceptions, that combine beauty with most delicate fragrance. There is a strange story told—I have seen it mentioned several times—of a scarlet orchid from the wilds of Venezuela, whose deadly exhalations produce rapidly fatal symptoms of nausea and coma. It has been seen, but never gathered, as the poisonous emanations drove back the despoiler. It may be true, since the scent of some flowers is noxious, and a certain Australian fungus produces most unpleasant symptoms if accidentally inhaled. At least one species of orchid is good for human consumption. Years ago the roots of the Early Meadow Orchid made a decoction which, when flavoured with Sassafras, formed the Saloop beloved of Covent Garden porters and other early labourers. Charles Lamb writes of it in his "Praise of Chimney Sweepers." "This is Saloop—the precocious herb-woman's darling—the delight of the early gardener . . . . . . the delight, and, oh, I fear too often, the envy of the unpenned sweep. Him shouldst thou haply encounter with his dim visage pendent over the grateful steam, regale him with a sumptuous basin (it will cost thee but three halfpennies) and a slice of delicate bread and butter (an added halfpenny)."

Orchids have a disconcerting habit of decreasing in value, and, like Lord Melchett's collection, realise but a tiny portion of the original outlay. Some years ago, I believe, the collection of a major in some Northern English town sold for a few thousands. It had originally cost nearly £600,000 to form.

Eat "BERMALINE" Bread and be satisfied.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK.

MODERN PREACHERS.

Princes of the Modern Pulpit. By Ernest H. Jehs. London: Sampson Low. 8/6 net.

WHAT constitutes a good preacher? It will be found that the answer varies from one generation to another; for, while the message and the preacher's office remain substantially the same, the message must be delivered in new language for every generation with new emphasis.

In the last generation things were very different from what they are to-day. The social and economic aspects of the Gospel, the science of Biblical criticism, the discoveries of natural science—all have removed the preacher from a throne and placed him in a witness-box. The speaker and his hearers had certainty in the days that are gone; oratory and rhetoric were expected and appreciated; there was a balanced architectural construction about the sermon which cannot be hoped for in days when sermons are shorter and pressure of parochial organisation shortens time for preparation.

Who, then, are the princes of the modern pulpit? They are not so entitled because of their stateliness of bearing or sonorousness of phrase, but rather because they show some quality of moral or intellectual leadership. The assistant editor of *The Christian World* would award the palm to the following of the Church of England clergy:—Dean Inge, Canon R. J. Campbell, the Rev. G. A. Studdert Kennedy, Prebendary Wilson Carlile, the Archbishop of York and the Rev. R. H. Sheppard. He reckons that fourteen famous Nonconformists and Free Churchmen reach the standard.

We must leave it to those who read to decide whether he has justified his choice. At any rate, he provides us with a useful *résumé* of the life of every one of his subjects, with some interesting, and at times beautiful, excerpts from their sermons. He remarks on p. 207 that "nobody ever thinks of 'persecuting' an open-air evangelist in these tolerant times." We would invite him to stand on Harold's Cross Bridge on Sunday evenings.

M. CAMBON'S VIEWS.

The Diplomatist. By Jules Cambon. London: Philip Allan. 7/6 net.

WITHIN the limits of this small volume of 144 pages M. Jules Cambon has packed a wealth of experience and knowledge. In his missions as Ambassador to the United States, Spain and Germany, M. Cambon has seen the changes which nations have undergone in their relations to one another, particularly in the diplomatic field. These changes and their effect upon the functions of envoys are analysed keenly and succinctly.

After he has touched upon the character of diplomats and the art of negotiation (wherein, incidentally, he shatters the accepted idea that the truth is never spoken), M. Cambon takes up the all-important question of war. War, in days gone by, was a political game between nations, in which professional armies were the pawns; when chivalry prevailed, and both parties vied in courtesy; when, after peace had been signed, all animosity between the participants was forgotten.

"The Crimean War of 1855 took place in my childhood, and I well remember witnessing the return of the troops along the boulevards; the crowds of spectators were in the merriest of moods. The march past of the Allied troops on the Champs Elysées in 1919 was a different matter. The nation was stricken to the heart, and who would say that it had ceased to mourn?"

M. Cambon points out that, with the growth of democracy, war must become increasingly severe, leading eventually to the utter extermination of nations and to the creation of hatreds that will never die. The last war demonstrated the terrible power behind such hatred; and who can say that our politicians will hesitate to play upon these emotions? The obvious solution is the League of Nations. M. Cambon, as a man of worldly experience, faces the difficulties of the League frankly, but he believes its alternative to be intercontinental warfare. The service which this body renders to-day is the opportunity which it affords to nations for consideration and reflection before they embark upon hysterical crusades of destruction.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

A Thing of Shreds and Patches. By Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Reginald Rankin, Bart. London: John Lane. 12/6 net.

THIS book is a very pleasant addition to the collected works of Sir Reginald Rankin. The greater part of it is devoted to the story of four children—not "goody-goody" children who make pious and unnatural remarks, or yet those excessively naughty children who bring low the heads of their parents in shame and sorrow. These youngsters are real people, and Llanever, their home, is a place which we fain would visit. "Heaven and earth meet at Llanever," the author writes; "the world can show no fairer place."

The chapter in which the flowers of Llanever talk about the people who come to the garden is delightful, and must make the most hardened reader ponder on some of his own inconsistencies. There is some verse in this volume, and a chapter that deals with "Elk Hunting in Norway," and a charming chapter on "The Royal Ordering of Gardens." The fortunate possessor of these attractive books, published by the Bodley Head in such a fine edition, can never complain of lack of variety.

GARIBALDI.

The Memoirs of Garibaldi. Edited by Alexandre Dumas. Translated by R. S. Garnett. Benn, 21/- net.

OF all the mad romancers of the romantic nineteenth century Giuseppe Garibaldi probably takes first place for the quality and effectiveness of his dreams. The man who sailed to Brazil at the age of 26 to "liberate" the down-trodden natives and to exterminate the harsh military dictators (as though, like the dragon's teeth, they would not spring up later in even larger numbers); the man whose deeds made his name legendary over the world; who sailed with his "Thousand" to Sicily, and finally liberated Italy from the French and Austrian yoke, indeed, was *capable de tout*.

After Mr. G. M. Trevelyan's excellent work on Garibaldi one would expect little more to be added to our knowledge of him. Mr. Garnett, however, has unearthed a hitherto unknown volume of memoirs edited by Alexandre Dumas, a great friend of Garibaldi, which throw much light on his South American adventures and his marriage there to Anita. The editor goes to some length to prove the authenticity of his discovery, and he fills in gaps in the tale with reminiscences of Garibaldi's colleagues; two appreciations by George Sand and Victor Hugo also are included.

The story of Garibaldi, the soldier fighting for the freedom of the South American republics, Rio Grande and Uruguay, reads like a Wild-West "thriller." One sees the doughty Italian and his company of volunteers, like the companions of Robin Hood, attacking national armies of many times their own strength as the ordinary course of events.

Garibaldi regarded himself only as an instrument for the propagation of his principle of freedom. He had no desire for war as such, according to himself, although the number of fights in which he participated would seem either to belie this statement or to designate him a superman, which is quite likely. He never accepted any compensation for the service that he gave to the South Americans, nor, at the end of his Italian successes, would he accept any posts of honour or money. In this materialistic day it is difficult to understand a character such as Garibaldi. He belongs to the immortals, and is one with Epaminondas, Cincinnatus and Joan of Arc.

LAST OF THE TSARS.

Nicholas II. By Princess Catherine Radziwill. London: Cassell. 12/6 net.

NICHOLAS II., the last of the Romanoffs, was one of the sorriest mortals ever cast to fill the *rôle* of kingship, while disaster dogged his footsteps with remorseless persistency from first to last. Such is the impression which is forced on one after one has read this very pathetic story of a murdered monarch's life, as Princess Catherine Radziwill has told it. Her narrative is full of dramatic intensity, and she enables her readers to envisage those momentous episodes in the life of Tsar and Tsarina when great national issues hung in the balance and Court intrigue and gossip blinded the Crown to their real significance. It was when these situations demanded firm and instant handling that Nicholas showed himself no more able to exercise the prerogative of a king than a butterfly to save itself in a cyclone.

The book does not claim to be a political history of his reign, but simply to furnish a portrait of Nicholas as seen by one who moved in royal circles in Petrograd. As the author's note informs us, her object is to give "a human study of Nicholas showing the man himself as revealed in his diaries and letters to his wife."

Every phase of his life was marked by some foreboding, but it was chiefly from the day when he ascended the throne of All the Russias that sinister whispers were murmured: "Misfortune is written on his face." Princess Radziwill heard this remark herself at the great ball in the Winter Palace soon after Nicholas's accession. We see him a supine, susceptible and superstitious creature, drifting on the stream which was hurrying him and his family to destruction. "His atrocious death, with all its dreadful attendant circumstances, precludes the condemnation that would otherwise be his due," writes the Princess. It is hard to argue.

Such conviction most strongly is forced on the reader from the time that the impostor, Rasputin, began to dominate the Court. While Rasputin held Nicholas and his wife under his baleful power, the Court, the Duma, the Church and every institution which ought to have stood for national security shared the general corruption. The final cataclysm is told with frankness and graphic power.

THE GARDEN.

All About Gardening. By J. Coutts (Kew). London: Ward Lock. 5/- net.

THIS is a thoroughly revised and up-to-date edition of the original work which was published in 1927. The title certainly is fitting, and the book itself is most instructive and pleasant to read. Everything, from the planning and laying out to the maintenance of a garden in all its sections throughout the year, is dealt with in a comprehensive, concise and masterly fashion by one of the leading authorities on the subject. The author, who is Deputy Curator of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, is to be congratulated on the able manner in which he has carried out his task. He tells us that he has endeavoured to avoid the common mistake of assuming that the reader has at least some knowledge of the subject. This is a recommendation in itself, and adds to the value of the book, which both furnishes the beginner with the information that he wants and surely will long remain a standard work of reference for the expert.

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A PLEASANT TOUR OF EUROPE.

European Encounters. By Hubert Griffith. London: The Bodley Head. 8/6 net.

MR. HUBERT GRIFFITH has a positive genius for putting new wine into the oldest of bottles with successful results. In short, he has invested a comparatively humdrum tour through Middle Europe with a sustained and sparkling interest. Seen through his eyes, these well-trodden highways take on an added glamour deftly coupled with a *soupçon* of romance, laid on with true artistic restraint.

The author beguiles his reader into the pleasantest mental itinerary imaginable. Berlin allures us; Vienna, reinvested with her old pre-war charm, yet up-to-date and progressive, again has taken her rightful place. Riga, that one associates usually with balsam, is seen as a modern city, artistic and highly cultured. Mr. Griffith is very human, and it is this quality that permeates the entire book and lends such charm and sincerity to its philosophy and whimsy fancies. He can be serious, too, and, like others, he hears the menace of muffled drums beneath the surge of European daily life. He is by no means blind to the imperfections round him, and Constantinople emerges from his criticism with much of the gilding removed; for promiscuous spitting does not make for a pleasant holiday.

We feel quite deserted when Mr. Griffith leaves us at Paris. The illustrations are excellent.

CHARLES READE.

Charles Reade. By Malcolm Elwin. London: Jonathan Cape. 12/6 net.

THIS belated life of one of our greatest novelists is quite a literary event. Strange though it may seem, no full and complete biography of Reade has been published until now, and this life by Malcolm Elwin will be welcomed accordingly.

Despite a certain heaviness, due possibly to the author's difficulties in condensing the vast amount of material at his disposal, the book well repays careful reading; for in something under four hundred pages the author has contrived to pack a remarkable amount of information. Mr. Elwin is to be congratulated on his clear exposition of a complex character, and here alone he has provided a fascinating psychological study. Dilettante and Oxford Don until nearly forty, Reade felt that he had much lost time to make up, and his busy, trenchant novelist's career was an important period in the literary history of the past century.

He wrote always with a definite object, usually to right some moral or social wrong, and, like his great contemporary, Charles Dickens, his pen was employed to good purpose and helped to abolish some gross abuses. Like his illustrious, though crack-brained, prototype, this literary Don Quixote received some shrewd knocks from the "windmills" at which he tilted, blows that did not tend to soften a nature somewhat embittered by earlier disappointments, which were heightened by a hypersensitive and introspective disposition.

As our first "realist" writer, Reade had to tread a thorny path, and received many an undeserved scourging at the hands of critics. A bad philosopher, he considered even pinpricks unwarranted, and he answered them with pages of tirade and invective.

Such a strange compound of warring emotions as Reade cannot fail to be interesting; for as violin collector, Oxford Don, playwright, producer, social reformer, social outcast or moralist he forms an absorbing character study.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

FICTION.

The Collected Ghost Stories of M. R. James. London: Arnold. 8/6 net.

An Dílse. By Amnoijar O bargill. Fallon. 1/6 net.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Advertiser's Annual and Convention Year Book, 1931. London: Business Publications, Ltd. £1 net.

NEW EDITIONS.

The Motor Electrical Manual. London: Temple Press. 2/6 net.

RECENT FICTION.

Antony Vanroy. By J. Chartres Molony. Methuen. 7/6 net.

Sergeant Lancey Reports. By L. Patrick Greene. Hamilton. 7/6 net.

The Homicide Club. By Gwyn Evans. Harold Shaylor. 7/6 net.

Mystery in the Channel. By Freeman Wills Crofts. Collins. 7/6 net.

Green Memory. By M. Barnard and F. Eldershaw. Harrap. 7/6 net.

The Screen. By Ann Stokes. Benn. 7/6 net.

HERE Mr. Molony offers a rare treat to his readers, a really amusing book that is so full of exciting incident as to be almost a "thriller." We say "almost," because it is not easy to feel a real thrill of apprehension while still chuckling over some neatly-turned phrase or some picturesque Irish expression.

This is the story of a quest, the quest of Edward Leer for his missing uncle, Antony Vanroy, a particularly attractive gentleman-forger, whose forgeries do not seem to have left anyone the poorer, except, perhaps, the forger himself. The first part of the tale is set in Kilnashea, and every Irish reader knows Kilnashea. Called by any other name, it is still the small country town which we happen to know best. The inhabitants of the town talk in the extravagantly descriptive manner that distinguishes all Irish men and women of their class, though it all too seldom reaches, intact, the pages of a novel like this.

After the Great War, as most of us know, "the times was quare in Kilnashea," and, when Edward Leer, ex-officer, finds that the friendly men of the town are discussing, quite dispassionately, the advisability of murdering him, he leaves in a hurry and pursues his search in India. There the times are just as "quare" as in Kilnashea, and Antony Vanroy's nephew finds himself in a web of political crisis, as well as in the meshes of a delightful love affair. Incidentally he finds his uncle.

Mr. Molony seems to know as much about India as he knows about Ireland; and that—to use an expression that may have originated in Kilnashea—is a big word.

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Mr. Greene writes with a stirring enthusiasm and interest that compels us to see eye to eye with him.

His stories of the British South African Police, told with inimitable drollery and simple pathos, to use an overworked simile, ought to make him recognised as the "Kipling of South Africa." The adventures of "Trooper Useless," sent out of the way when an inspection is impending and acquitting himself as well as any old hand—although in sublime ignorance of the fact—are related with an unadorned humour that makes capital reading. In contrast, it is impossible to read unmoved the record of "Bully Haines," vicious and brutal, but a martyr to his given word.

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"Gentlemen, crime, like Time, is merely relative!" "Innocence is the inability of infants to sin." "Telling the truth is a bourgeois virtue." "The perfect criminal is the one that keeps quiet and says nothing."

These sentiments of the four over-wealthy members of the Homicide Club, all bored with life, explain their desire to commit "perfect crimes." Unfortunately, for the success of their plans, they commit the grievous error of admitting to their select society Mr. Bill Kellaway, whom readers of "Hercules, Esq.," will recall as the latest edition of Sherlock Holmes. When Mr. Kellaway discovers the true purposes of this eminent Society his orthodox standard of morality leads him to oppose it. His successful thwarting of his confederates' plans is told within 287 pages of a bright, fast-moving novel.

MR. Freeman Wills Crofts surely is uncommon; for no other writer of detective fiction—or, indeed, of any fiction—maintains so constant a standard of excellence. In "Mystery in the Channel," our old friend, Inspector French, displays all his usual common-sense and uncommon energy. His task was sufficiently hard. Two corpses were found on a deserted yacht in mid-Channel by the mail steamer on her way to Dieppe. The dead men were partners in a large financial house that became bankrupt immediately afterwards. Inspector French tackles the problem in his dogged fashion, and discovers that a third murder has been committed. The working out of the detection in this story, perhaps, is the best that Mr. Crofts has given us; for the keystone of his plot is not the discovery of new clues, but the re-orientation of known clues in the light of new approaches. "Mystery in the Channel" deserves a place among the classics of detective fiction.

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This result of the collaboration of Marjorie Barnard and Flora Eldershaw is a very successful piece of work, and there is nothing to make the reader realise that it is the work of two good right hands rather than of one. In "Green Memory" the authors tell of a Sydney family of some importance, the head of which, a Government official, shoots himself, and so avoids the poverty and shame that must be faced by his ill-equipped family. It is a tragic story of their struggles, made doubly hard by the insistence of Lucy, the eldest daughter, that they must not adapt themselves in any way to their new conditions. They must make no friends whose social position is lower than their own had been before the crash; they must live at the same level, as it were. Of course, Lucy is beaten at last, but not until she has come very near to losing everything that makes life worth while.

There is a wealth of quiet and lovely imagery in this book, whether it be the imagery of Barnard or of Eldershaw, or of both. It is a capable tale of a fruitless struggle against new conditions, and it will establish more firmly the reputations made by the first novel of these young Australian collaborators.

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Virginia Holborough is an unusually attractive heroine, for whom the reader can feel the greatest sympathy and respect. Miss Stokes has suggested most skilfully the unsurmountable barrier that exists between her and her father. When, as a young schoolgirl, Virginia had reason to suspect her father to be the murderer of his wife's lover, she tried to thrust the thought from her mind, but the chilling sense of her knowledge hangs like a cloud over their relations. Sir William Holborough, ailing, and oppressed by his guilt, is a pitiable figure, and the author seems to lose sight of the many extenuating circumstances in his case; for, although fussy and unduly possessive, he was a kind and indulgent husband and father.

The scene of the tragedy is set in Ireland during the rising of 1916, and it is strange that Miss Stokes, with her apparently good knowledge of this country, should refer to the Irish port as "Kingston" throughout the book. The characters in this clever and well-written novel are admirably drawn.

This is the first of "Benn's thin paper novels," and the format is excellent, the print is clear, and the paper opaque.

THE GATE THEATRE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I note with much satisfaction that the authorities of the Gate Theatre have eliminated from "The Dublin Revue" the objectionable incident against which I protested in the theatre on Tuesday evening. Nevertheless, as both Mr. MacLiammoir, "an Irish Catholic," as he himself informs us, and Mr. Hilton Edwards are still of opinion that the introduction of the priest and acolyte was inoffensive, I may be permitted to explain why I took the opposite view and why I placed myself in the way of ejection.

The story of the ballet, "*La Chèvre Indiscrete*," as performed on the first two nights, was this: A goat gets itself by obstreperousness into trouble. It annoys the sheep, bumps them, and generally makes their life not worth living. The farmer tries to tame it, but unsuccessfully; the farmer's wife, the policeman and the shepherd try, too, but with no better success. The whole company then comes to the conclusion that the goat is possessed of an evil spirit. The priest and the acolyte then appear, the latter bearing a tray on which there is a lighted candle in a brass candlestick, and, I am told (I did not observe it myself), a bell and a book. The priest approaches the "possessed," and, with many gesticulations, which I have good reason to regard as a caricature of the sign of the Cross, succeeds in subduing it: the goat is cowed and falls in a heap on the floor. Then, to make a good joo better, the priest takes the candle from the acolyte, and, standing over his victim, holds it aloft.

The entire impropriety of this caricature of a sacred Catholic rite should be apparent. I make not the least apology for my protest, nor for its method. If the ladies of the ballet were annoyed, the blame must lie with those who put them publicly into an unenviable position.—Yours, etc.,

HUGH P. ALLEN.

267 Clonliffe road, Dublin,
April 9th, 1931.

"THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL."



The entrance of the Prince during the ballroom scene of the adaptation of "The Scarlet Pimpernel," produced by Miss Campion in St. Bartholomew's Parochial Hall, Clyde road, Dublin, last night, on behalf of the annual missionary sale in aid of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

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The Harold's Cross, Dublin, Easter Vestry meeting was held in the Parochial Hall on 8th inst. The following appointments were made:—Rector's Churwarden, Mr. S. McCormack. People's Churchwarden, Mr. J. J. Wallace. Select Vestry—Messrs. S. V. Savage, J. A. White, G. D. Whitehead, W. Banford, T. C. Scott, T. Jackson, F. W. Mitchell, H. White, W. Brown, A. Field, D. Allen and G. F. Wolfe. The Select Vestry met subsequently, when Mr. W. Danford was re-elected secretary to the Select Vestry, and Mr. J. A. White hon. treasurer.

The Clontarf Easter Vestry was held on the 7th inst., at 8 p.m. Chairman, the Rev. Canon Connell, M.A. The following appointments were made:—Rector's Churchwarden, George H. Calvert. People's Churchwarden, R. Austin Hailes. Select Vestry—J. Blood Smyth, J. D. Caird, R. Duggan, F.Inst.A.C.; J. Duggan, F. C. Egan, J. J. Grey, R. J. Hailes, H. F. L. Knowles, B.A.I.; H. J. Knowles, J. F. Mulreed, G. A. Osborne, W. H. Reynolds. Hon. Secretary, Select Vestry, H. J. Knowles, St. Helens, Haddon road, Clontarf.

Parish of St. Michan and St. Paul.—Rector's Churchwardens, H. J. Staff and H. V. Lamb. People's Churchwardens, R. Stafford and C. Jones. Select Vestry—C. Courtenay, S. H. French, J. Jones, E. Linton, A. L. M'Coy, J. F. R. Merlin, J. Milligan, G. Maney, H. J. Rhodes, T. Redding, H. A. Watchorn and E. West. Hon. Secretary, E. West; Hon. Treasurers, H. J. Staff and J. R. Merlin.

Killiney Parish.—The Incumbent, the Rev. Denton C. Green, presided. The following appointments were were:—Rector's Churchwarden, Knollys Stokes. People's Churchwarden, S. D. Budd. Glebewardens, A. W. Brewin, C.M.G., and F. C. H. Moore. Select Vestry—Miss Alcock, Mrs. Watson, Miss Welland, Miss Woodroffe, A. C. Dobbs, W. A. Figgis, J. T. Keegan, H. R. Maunsell, J. M. Mitchell, F. C. H. Moore, G. Arthur Newsom, J. L. Orpin. Hon. Treasurer, F. C. H. Moore. Sidesmen—T. Bower, T. Morrow, S. O'Neill, and A. B. Watson, LL.D.

Athboy and Kildalkey (Diocese of Meath)—The following appointments were made:—Rector's Churchwarden, Saville B. Murray. People's Churchwarden, Captain G. D. Jones. Chapel Wardens, H. W. Potterton and William Tyrrell. Select Vestry—George Cowan, Michael Cunniffe, Major V. H. Parr, Sydney J. Parr, H. W. Potterton, T. E. Potterton, C. V. Pratt, William Tyrrell, H. S. Robertson, R. H. Walker, J. H. Wheatley, and G. C. Wilkinson. Hon. Secretary, H. S. Robertson. Hon. Treasurer, C. V. Pratt.

At the Union of Inistiogue and the Rower Eastern Vestry the following were elected:—Rector's Churchwarden, E. Wills; People's Churchwarden, T. Farrar (Inistiogue). Rector's Churchwarden, J. Kidd; People's Churchwarden, J. W. Kidd (The Rower). Select Vestry—Nancy Lady Teignmouth, Mrs. Solly-Flood, Mrs. Newport, Mrs. Newman, Messrs. J. Bassett, T. Farrar, W. Leech, H. Miller, W. Fitzgerald, G. Dyer, A. Miller, and W. Ashe. Secretary, the Rev. Dr. McClelland.



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IN THE NORTHERN CAPITAL.

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FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

THE difference of opinion that has arisen between the Prime Minister and the elementary school teachers of Northern Ireland concerning the manner in which the latter have received the "cut" in their salaries has caused much comment. In an Easter Monday speech to an Orange gathering Viscount Craigavon declared that the teachers had accepted the reduction loyally, and he was proud of them. The teachers, however, sitting in conference at Portrush, sent a telegram to the Premier yesterday repudiating his statement, and adding that grave discontent and distrust had been aroused which would not easily be allayed if the proposed change took place.

Representatives of the teaching profession have been very outspoken on the subject. Their sentiments seem to be expressed in the protest of one of the delegates, who declared that "What we have we hold," and "Not an inch"—a couple of the Prime Minister's own slogans. The resolution regarding the Premier's statement was passed unanimously, and in a paper which was read subsequently the practice of using party and religious cries and shibboleths was deprecated. It will be recalled that about a fortnight ago a special meeting of teachers, representing three associations, met in Belfast and condemned the reduction in their remuneration.

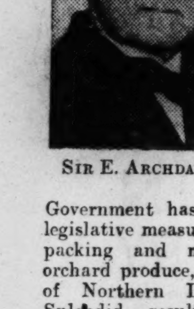
A CHEAP TOUR OF BELFAST.

The visitors within our gates may see the whole of Belfast, as viewed from tramcars, for the modest sum of one shilling. Special day excursion tickets have been issued at that price, which enable the holders to travel all over the tramway system, and as the lines radiate from the city centre to the boundary and beyond, it is possible in this way to pass through some of the most beautiful districts in the municipality. The day's tour may include Glengormley, Bellevue Gardens, Malone, Stranmillis, Knock, Belmont, Strandtown, and as far as the new parliamentary buildings—some five or six miles away—just to mention a few places of interest, and, no doubt, this concession will be much appreciated during the summer season.

In the past fortnight, strangely enough, there was a decrease of 90,308 passengers carried over the system. The total figures were 4,265,109, as compared with 4,355,417 for the corresponding period of last year, the decrease in receipts amounting to £386. On the other hand, there was an increase in 'bus passenger traffic of 21,490, with a corresponding increase in revenue of £170. The weather is blamed for the diminished tramway traffic, but it is hoped there will be a soaring of income with the approach of the summer months.

PUSHING ULSTER PRODUCE.

The excellent work of the Northern Ministry of Agriculture has been reflected in the exhibition of Ulster farm produce at Birmingham, which was opened this week by Sir Edward Archdale. Tributes were paid by English wholesale merchants to the high standard of the exhibits, which include butter, eggs, bacon, ham, lard, honey, cream, potatoes, canned apples and canned chickens. With the exception of the tinned goods, these articles are mostly produced from small farms, generally worked by family labour.



SIR E. ARCHDALE.

To secure the advantages of the best quality the Northern Government has never hesitated to pass legislative measures for the proper grading, packing and marketing of farm and orchard produce, upon which the prosperity of Northern Ireland largely depends. Splendid results already have been obtained from the operations of the Marketing of Eggs Act, the Dairy Produce Act, the regulations affecting the grading of potatoes and the Meat Inspection Act, which is just coming into force. All these measures met with opposition when passing through Parliament, but their advantages are now generally acknowledged, and their success is demonstrated in increased demand and enhanced prices.

In referring to these matters at the exhibition Sir Edward Archdale said that Irishmen had the reputation of being difficult to govern, but the farmers had recognised the importance of exporting produce of first-class quality.

COUNTERFEIT SOUTHERN COINS.

The acceptance of Free State coins as fares over the Belfast tramway system offers three difficulties, according to a letter from a local bank which was read at a meeting of the committee yesterday. The most important objection seems to be that the passing of such money opens an easy way to public deception, as many counterfeit coins have been traced, while another consideration is that the coin is lighter than the British equivalent, giving rise to difficulties of weighing.

The other objection is that Free State coinage is not legal tender in Ulster; but nobody minds that very much, and it is freely circulated all over the province. Southern bookmakers bring it along to our race meetings, and no winner ever was known to refuse it. Visitors from across the border also spend it in our shops, and it is welcomed there without question. The counterfeiting of the Free State coinage, however, is a serious matter, and should engage the attention of the Southern authorities. On the other hand, counterfeit British money is not unknown in Belfast, and, indeed, it is a fortunate country that escapes the operations of experts in the making of bad money.

Those who deprecate the circulation of Free State money in Ulster point out that British money, which is legal tender in the South, can easily be obtained there by intending visitors to the North. Moreover, the banks here have to forward to Dublin all lodgments of Free State money, as they cannot issue it to customers.

THE SOCIAL ROUND.

A dance has been arranged to be held at Orangefield, Belfast, the residence of Captain Herbert Dixon, D.L., M.P., and the Hon. Mrs. Dixon, on Friday, 17th inst., the proceeds of which will be in aid of the Unionist *fête* to be held at Balmoral in June next. Captain Dixon is Chief Whip of the Northern Unionist Parliamentary Party, and he is also a member of the Imperial Parliament. He is a well-known owner of racehorses, and a good sportsman, being as popular in Southern Ireland as he is in the North.



CAPTAIN H. DIXON.

To-morrow night a dance will be held in the Andrews' Memorial Hall, Comber, at which the hostess will be the Countess of Clanwilliam. The Prime Minister of Northern Ireland and Viscountess Craigavon are expected to be present.

A great deal of interest is being taken in the Masonic charities ball, which will be held in the Belfast Plaza on the 17th inst. The dance is being held by permission of the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and many distinguished Masons will be there. The Duke of Abercorn is one of the patrons and hopes to be present. Sir Crawford McCullagh, Lord Mayor of Belfast, also has promised his support, and parties will probably come from all parts of Ireland. Masons may bring guests—apart from their women friends—who are not members of the Order.

NEW DOCTORS OF DIVINITY.

An interesting ceremony took place in Belfast to-day, when the Theological Faculty of the Irish Presbyterian Church conferred the degree of Doctor of Divinity upon the Rev. John Humphreys, B.A., of Tullamore, King's County, and the Rev. W. A. Watson, M.A., B.D., of Belfast. Mr. Humphreys came North specially for the occasion, and he was cordially welcomed.

MUSIC IN THE NORTH.

Although the ordinary concert season is over, a series of orchestral recitals to be held in Belfast during the spring and summer months appears likely to be highly successful. The Northern people are taking more and more to music, and the opening concert attracted a large audience, compositions by Beethoven, Greig, Liszt and Glasounov being played, while pianoforte duets and tenor solos by distinguished London artists gave variety and colour to the programme. There is a feeling among the community for the higher forms of music, not too severely classical, but tuneful and harmonious, and the Belfast station orchestra of the B.B.C. is doing much to satisfy this taste.

"CITY OF SONG."

A FINE BRITISH FILM.

A private projection of the Sterling Film Company's "City of Song" was given yesterday to a party of trade representatives and other selected guests at the Savoy Cinema, Dublin.

"City of Song" is undoubtedly one of the finest "talkies" yet produced; it is noteworthy in its dialogue, splendid in its music, very unusual in its story, and magnificent in its photography. In all these it is certainly equal to the best that Hollywood has produced. If one swallow does not make a summer, it may denote that "summer is i-cumen in." British film-production is certainly on the up-grade, and "City of Song" is well above the best it has hitherto achieved.

The story concerns the discovery by a wayward English girl of a young tenor who had been appointed to be her guide in Naples. She found his singing voice so good that she induced him to come to London, where she arranged for his appearance at the Albert Hall. Meanwhile the young tenor had fallen in love with her, and at the critical moment appeared at a birthday party and caused a scene, which led to the cancellation of the concert. Then he went back to Naples, where he found himself spurned by an earlier love.

NOTEWORTHY SINGING.

The outstanding feature of "City of Song" is the singing of Jan Kilpura, the now well-known Polish tenor. His songs are mainly original, but his singing of "La Donna e Mobile" in the empty Albert Hall is in itself sufficient to ensure the popularity of the film. In Miss Betty Stockfield, Sterling Films have found a girl with all the allure, and infinitely greater physical beauty and personal charm, than the vaunted idols of the Beverley Hills. She is certain to be one of the greatest assets of British films in the immediate future. A comedian who is at the same time a fine character actor is rare, but in Hugh Wakefield, Sterling Films have found one. He is apparently fatuous, but in reality exceedingly clever, using his fatuity to cover his clever designs.

"City of Song," with excellent dialogue by Miles Malleson, the well-known actor-dramatist, credits audiences with brains. That may be a bar to the widest popularity, but it is certainly very refreshing to the discriminating cinema-goer. The movement, the music, and the photography may, however, be held in wide circles to compensate for its brains.

THE LUNCHEON.

At the luncheon held subsequently in the Gresham Hotel, Mr. C. E. McConnell presided over a large company.

In proposing the toast "Our Guest," Mr. McConnell especially referred to the presence of the Polish Consul, whose compatriot, Kilpura, held the principal part in the film.

Responding to the toast, M. Vencelas T. Dobrzanski, Consul-General for Poland, expressed the pleasure he had experienced in Jan Kilpura's singing, and the pride it gave him to know that his compatriot had found honour in the Ireland that he had come to love.

Dr. Lorcan Sherlock, Sub-Sheriff of Dublin, said that this British film was a great contrast with the slang of Hollywood. There was no reason why Ireland should not regard British productions as second only to their own, and no reason why they should look to Timbuctoo when their prosperity lay in the markets of a prosperous Britain.

Mr. J. Ferguson, Department of Industry and Commerce, hoped that films might yet be produced in Ireland.

The toast, "The Press," was proposed by Mr. J. Mitchell, and that of "Associated Irish Cinemas" by Sir Thomas Robinson. In responding to the latter toast, Mr. J. McGrath, assistant manager Savoy Cinema, said that the company, although but lately incorporated here, was already committed to the extension of its business in other Irish cities.

A vote of thanks to Mr. McConnell terminated the proceedings.

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AN AGRICULTURAL CONGRESS.

The fifteenth International Agricultural Congress will be held from the 5th to the 8th June, 1931, in Prague, the capital of Czecho-Slovakia, under the patronage of T. G. Masaryk, President of the Czecho-Slovak Republic.

Judged by the large number of applications and reports already sent in by prominent experts from various countries, the Congress promises to be a great success. Most Governments will send official representatives, and there also will be experts from different agricultural institutions, such as the International Institute of Agriculture in Rome and the International Labour Bureau of Geneva.

Most European countries, including Czecho-Slovakia, will grant substantial reductions in railway fares to those attending the Congress. Special excursions have been arranged for the delegates in order that they may have an opportunity to study agricultural methods in the Czecho-Slovak Republic and, at the same time, to see places of historical and scenic interest. They will include:—

1. Six one-day trips from Prague, which will give the delegates an opportunity to see farming methods in the vicinity of the capital—*i.e.*, in the central part of Bohemia.

2. Four six-day excursions through the most important agricultural districts of the Republic. The visitors will be shown co-operative undertakings and agricultural industries throughout Czecho-Slovakia. Special attention will be paid to such branches as are on a high level of production, such as the cultivation of sugar beet, barley and hops.

3. One tour of fourteen days' duration across the most productive districts of the whole country. On the way special visits will be paid to various agricultural institutions.

Organisation committees to encourage attendance have been set up in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Luxemburg, Poland, Roumania, Switzerland and Yugo-Slavia.

Detailed programmes of the excursions and copies of official bulletins published in Czech, French, English, and German can be obtained from the Central Office of the Congress, Prague II., Diazdena, 2.

A DUBLIN WEDDING.



The bride, bridegroom and attendants at the marriage, in Leeson Park, Dublin, yesterday, of Mr. James Douglas Latta, of Ravensworth, Ayr, son of the late Mr. J. Latta, Auchenfail, Mauchline, Ayrshire, and Miss Norah Lumsden, daughter of Sir John and Lady Lumsden, of 4 Fitzwilliam place, Dublin.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY.

The "Snake Stealers' Syndicate" : Sir John Kirwan : The Vagrant "Pill." Tea : "George Barnwell" : Taxis at "the Green." A Japanese Tunnel.

The Vagaries of the "Pill."

An acquaintance of mine who was playing golf during the Easter holidays over a course which is also a public common told me that after a drive his ball was found nestling in the half-open hood of a perambulator—luckily, on the outside. Golfing history, however, contains well-authenticated instances of even more curious happenings to golf balls. They have landed in jacket pockets, in the "turn-up" of trousers, in the chimney of a house, the ear of a donkey and the fleece of a sheep. Birds' nests and wasps' nests have also proved refuges for these most elusive of objects, and they have been found impaled on hairpins, and in one case on the hatpin of a lady crossing the course. Another ball was cut in two by striking the edge of a scythe held by a green-man. At St. Andrews a ball was driven clean through a man's hat, and the golfer, who had to pay five shillings to the man to purchase a new one, was grumbling to Tom Morris, a famous old character of that links, about the occurrence. "Eh, mon," was the reply, "you ought to be glad it was only a new hat you had to buy, and not an oak coffin."

Snakes and Ladders.

One of the most famous snake parks in the world is at Port Elizabeth, in South Africa; and two thousand snakes of all sizes and of every description, from the python to the puff adder, have been resident there at the same time. I have just heard a favourite story in Port Elizabeth, which tells of three small boys who were known as the Snake Stealers' Syndicate. Pocket-money was so scarce and iced drinks were so desirable that the three boys were struck by a splendid idea. At night they rested a ladder against the wall of the snake park, and, having clambered down at the other side with the help of a tree, they got hold of two or three snakes, stuffed them into a pillow-case, and climbed out again. In the morning they went to the front gate and sold the snakes to the curator as fresh stock. This went on for some time before they were caught in the act, and the crime was punished by a spell in the reformatory. The boys were bare-legged, and must have escaped death by a miracle. Many of their fellow-citizens thought that the Victoria Cross would have been a more suitable reward.

Irish Tea-Drinking.

I am not much surprised to learn, from the recent report of the Imperial Economic Committee, that Ireland is the country which holds the record for buying and consuming the better class teas. We have always been fastidious tea drinkers, and many more packets of 5s. and 6s. per pound leaf, on the basis of population, are consumed in Ireland than in England or Scotland. As to actual figures, the imports into the Free State during the last seven years have fluctuated little—from 24,399,600 pounds in 1924 to 23,962,400 last year. The average price over the same period has been 1s. 3d., and the consumption per head eight pounds. This predilection for the higher descriptions of tea is not confined to the wealthy. It is no less evident among the peasantry, who have long since realised that, even if they get comparatively small quantities for their pence, the quality produces a greater number of cups. Nowhere is there any endorsement of that detestation represented long ago by John Wesley's acrid sermon, and the other day by Dr. Ackerley's ferocious diatribe against that "vile abomination."

The Curraghmore Crystal.

The crystal ball of the fortune-teller has long been credited with other magic powers than its alleged mirroring of events that have not yet occurred.

In Uganda, a traveller tells me, a crystal ball is regarded as a valuable amulet, but only when it is in contact with leather—a case, or even a strap, that goes round it. The people of New Guinea believe that it is possible to produce much-needed rain by means of a crystal ball.

The other day I read for the first time of the famous Curraghmore Crystal, owned by a well-known Irish family, and until recently, at any rate, borrowed by people living in that neighbourhood.

This crystal ball is about the size of an orange, and is bound by a silver ring. According to some authorities on the subject, it was brought to Ireland from the Holy Land by a returning Crusader. The Curraghmore Crystal is said to have the power of curing sick cattle if the animals are driven up and down a stream in which the ball has been placed.

The Prophet Ezekiel.

April 19th is the festival of the Prophet Ezekiel, who, though his anniversary is but scantily observed in Christendom, still exercises great sway upon the mind of the Orient. His traditional tomb is at Shem, near Bagdad, and has been for centuries a favourite place of pilgrimage for Mohammedans and Jews alike. The present mausoleum, ascribed to King Jehoiachin, but probably built by the Khalifs, at one time contained a priceless Hebrew library, of which the nucleus dated from the time of the first Temple. What became of it no man knows.

An Eminent Irish-Australian.

The Honble. Sir John Kirwan, who recently paid a brief visit to the Free State, is one of a fairly numerous band of Irishmen who have been prominent in the public life of Australia. As a young journalist he saw and recorded the eager life of the West Australian goldfields, and was editor and part proprietor of the *Kalgoorlie Miner*, and its weekly edition, the *Western Argus*. When the first Commonwealth Parliament of Australia was elected in 1901 Sir John, who was returned as member for Kalgoorlie, was one of the youngest representatives. As Deputy Chairman of Committees, member of the Royal Commission on Iron, and of other committees, he acquired extensive parliamentary experience. He was elected member of the West Australian Legislative Council in 1908, and his election in 1926 to the presidency of that body, a position which he still holds, was unanimous.



SIR JOHN KIRWAN.

The Real Australia.

By articles contributed to the *Nineteenth Century* and other reviews, and to *The Times*, Sir John has made the public acquainted with the history and progress of West Australia, of whose future he takes a very hopeful view. To him the present financial crisis causes no uneasiness, and he regards it as one of the inevitable, but temporary, experiences of a comparatively new country, while he scouts the idea of repudiation or inflation. West Australia, he points out, has immense areas of agricultural and pastoral lands, and is rich in timber and mineral resources. Sir John lays stress on the fact that from one square mile of that State gold to the value of one hundred million pounds has been extracted, and expert authorities are of opinion that the richest mines are still to be discovered.

He is keenly interested in the work of the Empire Parliamentary Association, of whose West Australian branch he is President. He has been closely identified with the Imperial Press Conferences.

Sir John's three sons are at an English school, and, visiting them, he extended his journey so as to spend a week or two in his native land. It is possible that before returning to Australia he may be able to repeat the visit.

Dogs in Harness.

With the exception of the "huskies" used for drawing sleighs in the Arctic regions, I suppose that there are very few modern examples of the dog as a beast of burden. Before the age of machinery dogs were regularly employed at various kinds of work, often under cruel and arduous conditions. The worst example of canine labour was associated with the domestic kitchen, where the animals were used to turn the spits on which large joints of meat were roasted. The turnspit wheel, still occasionally to be seen in museums, was a circular box like a treadmill, in which the unfortunate dog was imprisoned during his period of labour, which usually lasted three hours. He was obliged to turn the wheel by continually climbing up the inside of it, thus rotating the spit, which was attached to the wheel by a pulley. Two dogs were used in alternate shifts, working under the eye of the cook. It is said that on one occasion in a French college, where turnspit dogs were employed, the cook could not find the dog whose turn it was to go on duty. He then tried to force the other dog into the wheel, but the animal resented the injustice, and bit him severely, so that he was obliged to go to the surgeon to have his hand dressed. On returning he found the dog which had absconded in the wheel, the other animal having chased the truant out of his hiding place, and forced him to fulfil the duty which he sought to avoid.

"George Barnwell."

I notice that the Chief Censor of Berlin has hesitated about the licensing of a German film version of the "Beggar's Opera," being doubtful of the effect of MacHeath and his crooks on public morals. He might be comforted to recall that another famous eighteenth century crime play was responsible for turning at least one sinner from the paths of destruction. In 1752, when "George Barnwell" was thrilling London, a famous physician was visited by a young man, who confessed that he had made free with moneys entrusted to his care to the amount of some £200, but, having seen Ross as George Barnwell at Drury Lane, had since been unable to enjoy a moment's peace. By the doctor's advice the young man wrote to his father, matters were squared up, and the delinquent lived to become an eminent merchant. Years later, when Ross was taking a "benefit" at Drury Lane, he received a note, together with ten guineas, "as a tribute of gratitude from one who was saved from ruin by seeing his performance of Barnwell."

Traffic at St. Stephen's Green.

Nowadays, when the traffic authorities are spending so much time and money in praiseworthy efforts to make Dublin roads safer for motorist and pedestrian, I am surprised to notice how often things just under the eye are overlooked. One glaring instance can be seen at the Harcourt street end of St. Stephen's Green. At this place there is a taxi rank. The cabs are allowed to park right up to, and, indeed, on occasions overlapping, the corner. They form a perfect screen, so that motorists proceeding citywards along the University Church side of the Green are unable to see any vehicles coming against them from the Grafton street side. The fact that this spot is also a recognised tram stop complicates matters considerably, and endless confusion occurs there every day, which could easily be avoided, or, at any rate, lessened, if the taxi rank were moved about twenty yards back towards the city.

The Longest Tunnel.

I have more than once remarked in these columns upon the present mania for "records." News of yet another "record" has just reached me.

The Japanese Ministry of Railways have for some time been worried by the number of accidents on the Hukuriku Railway near Oyashirszur. As no other solution has presented itself, they are now considering the segregation of the system by the construction of a tunnel which will extend for forty miles. At present the "record" is held by the Pyrenees Tunnel, which runs for twenty-five miles beneath the Alps.

Not So Stupid.

Here is a tale which was told me by a friend who is interested in educational matters. A school inspector was conducting his usual examination when the teacher drew his attention to a heavy-faced boy of about ten, who had the reputation of being the dullest pupil in the school. "I can't get a single fact into his head," he whispered.

"All right," said the inspector, "I'll try him." He went over to the desk, called out the sheepish one, and inquired: "How many do four and five make?" "Dunno," was the reply.

The inspector varied the question. "Come now," he asked, pointing to a tree outside the window, "supposing there were nine birds in that tree and I shot five, how many would be left?" "Five," said the boy. "How do you make that out?" inquired the inspector. "'Cause the five you shot would be left, and the other four would have flied away," was the unexpected rejoinder.

The First Camel in Ireland.

In the Annals of the Four Masters there is a passage which shows that the first camel, or rather dromedary, to arrive in Ireland must have created a considerable sensation when it was sent over by King Edward IV. The description is as follows:—"A.D. 1472, a wonderful animal was sent to Ireland from the King of England: it resembled a mare, having a yellow colour; it had the hoofs of a cow—a long neck, thick head, a large tail, ugly, scarce of hair. She has a peculiar saddle of her own: wheat and salt were her usual food; she used to carry the largest sled suspended from her tail. She used to kneel when going under a gate, or for her rider to mount." The "peculiar saddle" was, of course, the hump, and apparently the unfortunate animal did not escape the barbarous practice of the age, which obliged beasts of burden to pull loads by their tails.

QUIDNUNC.

DUBLIN WEDDINGS.

MR. J. D. LATTA AND MISS N. LUMSDEN.

CHRIST Church, Leeson Park, Dublin, was filled yesterday afternoon, when the marriage took place of Mr. James Douglas Latta, Ravensworth, Ayr, son of the late Mr. J. Latta, Auchenfoil, Mauchline, Ayrshire, and Mrs. Latta, Ravensworth, Ayrshire, and Miss Norah Lumsden, daughter of Sir John and Lady Lumsden, 4 Fitzwilliam place, Dublin. The church had been specially decorated for the occasion with palms, and masses of golden daffodils were placed at the foot of the chancel steps and choir stalls.

The Very Rev. Percy Phair, Dean of Ossory, performed the marriage ceremony, assisted by the Rev. Canon A. E. Hughes, M.A., Rector of Christ Church, Leeson Park, and the Rev. John Powell, M.A.

The choir preceded the bride up the aisle, and during the Service Mrs. Hughes sang an anthem, accompanied by the choir. The bride was given away by her father. She wore a beautiful gown of white satin, cut on long classical lines. The full skirt fell to the ground, and from the back of the waist a long train depended, which floated on the ground. Her veil, of lovely old Limerick lace, fell over the shoulders and entirely covered the train, while she wore a face veil of matching lace. Her bouquet was composed of pale yellow malmaisons and fern.

Immediately behind the bride walked little Miss Valda Stewart, a dainty figure in a picture frock of yellow organdie, frilled at the hem, and having an old-fashioned crossed bodice in the fichu style. She wore a poke bonnet and held a basket of St. Brigid anemones.

There were four bridesmaids—Misses Margery, Nancy and Betty Lumsden and Miss Doreen Davey. They were dressed alike in charming frocks of yellow moire satin, the fullness of the long skirts were gathered at the back into a bustle effect. With these frocks were worn short coatees, with high Medici collars, and they carried, instead of bouquets, tiny muffs of emerald green velvet, trimmed with sprays of St. Brigid anemones, while on their heads were bands of emerald green ribbon, tied in loops at the sides. Shoes of emerald green completed their toilettes. Mr. Charles Hall-Porter was best man.

After the ceremony the bride's mother, wearing a graceful gown of black satin and georgette, with a large black picture hat, and sable furs, held a reception at 4 Fitzwilliam place, at which over 200 guests were present. The bride's mother was attired in a smart black and grey *ensemble*, while Mrs. Elkington (sister of the bride) wore a pretty two-piece suit of powder blue, with a small upturned hat of the same shade.

During the afternoon the bride and bridegroom left for their honeymoon, which will be spent in Ireland. The bride travelled in a fawn coloured two-piece costume, with a black hat trimmed with turquoise velvet, and handbag and beads to match.

MR. E. O'SHAUGHNESSY AND MISS A. J. DELANE.

Yesterday morning the marriage took place in the University Chapel, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, of Mr. Edward O'Shaughnessy, fourth son of Mr. A. O'Shaughnessy, ex-T.D., and Mrs. O'Shaughnessy, Ardilea, Dundrum, Co. Dublin, and late of St. Raphael's, Montenotte, Cork, and Anastatia Jenelda Delane, younger daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Delane, 50 Harcourt street, Dublin.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. Dwyer, C.C., assisted by Rev. Dr. E. A. Crohan, C.S.Sp., President Rockwell College (cousin of the bride). The bride was given away by Dr. M. L. Ryan. She wore a lovely gown of parchment satin, with a veil of Brussels lace. She was attended by Miss Joan Ryan, who wore a pretty frock of pink crêpe-de-chine; and Mr. P. J. O'Shaughnessy acted as best man. After the ceremony a reception was held in the Gresham Hotel.

CAPTAIN V. LAPOLI AND MISS K. McKENNA.

In the Church of St. John the Baptist, Blackrock, County Dublin, yesterday, the marriage took place of Captain Vittorio Lapoli, 2nd Regiment Grenadiers di Sardegna, Rome, son of the late Colonel Rocco Lapoli and Mrs. Teresa Trucillo Lapoli, of Naples, and Miss Kathleen McKenna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McKenna, "Baltrusna," Frascati Park, Blackrock, County Dublin. The bride was given away by her father. Miss Vera McKenna, sister of the bride, was the only bridesmaid. The Rev. William Horan, C.C., Blackrock, performed the marriage ceremony; and Captain Enzo Lapoli, Italian Air Force (brother of the bridegroom), acted as best man. The honeymoon will be spent in Sicily.

MILITARY MARRIAGE.

MR. C. A. DUMPHIE AND MISS E. CAMPBELL.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

The daughter of a well-known soldier was the bride of a soldier at Holy Trinity Church, Sloane street, to-day. She was Miss Eileen Isabella Campbell, the elder daughter of Lieutenant-General Sir Walter and Lady Campbell, of Rathfern, County Antrim, and Picket Wood, Merstham, Surrey, and her father gave her away as the bride of Mr. Charles A. L. Dumphie, of the Royal Horse Artillery, the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Dumphie, of 33 Kensington Court, London. There were golden flowers, with green foliage, decorating the beautiful church.

Miss Campbell wore a graceful dress of parchment tinted satin, falling in soft folds to her ankles. The train was in one with the dress, and lined with a delicate green material. She wore a veil of fine tulle dyed to match her dress, and held by a simple circlet of orange blossoms. Her bouquet was of many coloured roses and lilies of the valley. To Master William Brandt was entrusted the bearing of the bride's train, and he wore knickers of green velvet, with a silk shirt of a primrose shade.

There were four little bridesmaids—Miss Celia Coke, Miss Cynthia Denison-Pender, Miss Paula Douetil and Miss Dina Pragnell. These little maids wore dainty frocks of leaf-green georgette, with long full skirts, and against the green of their frocks they held posies of primroses. Miss Nancy Campbell, the bride's sister, and Miss Mary De Pree were the only grown-up attendants, and they, too, wore graceful frocks of green georgette, the fulness of the skirts being formed by godets. Their head-dresses were in keeping with the colour of their frocks, and they held sheaves of yellow irises, narcissi and primroses. Mr. Charles Dalton, a fellow-officer, acted as best man to the bridegroom, and Bishop Eyre-Chatterton officiated.

A reception was held by Lady Campbell at 18 Sloane Gardens, lent by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stuart. Later in the afternoon the bride and bridegroom left for Paris, the bride travelling in a dress and coat of sapphire blue, the coat trimmed with mink fur. Her hat was of beige and blue straw.

Among others present at the ceremony were:—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Dumphie, Mr. Peter Dumphie, Miss Ruth Dumphie, Miss Campbell, Nita Lady Critchett, Sir Montague and Lady Critchett, Colonel and Mrs. Jordan, the Hon. Lady Hulse, Lord Wargrave, Dame Madge Kendal, Sir Beachcroft Towse, V.C., and Lady Towse; General Sir Archibald and Lady Murray, Lady Alexander, Sir Henry and Lady Wheeler, Sir Robert and Lady Whigham, Sir Webb and Lady Gillman, Major-General Charles, Lieutenant-Colonel Main, Colonel W. E. Gordon, V.C.; Colonel Neish, Sir Geo. and Lady Marjoribanks, Sir Alexander and Lady Russell, Captain and Mrs. A. Gee, and officers of the First Brigade of the Royal Horse Artillery.

IRISH RAILWAY WAGES.

The Irish Railways Negotiating Committee, representative of the railways and the three railway trade unions, met yesterday in the Irish Railway Clearing House, Dublin, to consider the demands of the companies for reductions in wages and changes in working conditions, and the unions' counter-claim for increased wages and improved conditions. No agreement was reached.

The Committee adjourned till Monday, April 20.

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY.

DUBLIN (2RN)—413 Metres.

1.30-2.0—Time, Stock Exchange List, Weather Forecast and Gramophone Concert. 6.0—Gramophone Concert. 6.15—Uair i dTir na n-Og: Esme Biddle and a Musical Play. 7.0—Gramophone Concert. 7.20 — News Bulletin. 7.30 — Time. 7.30—Gardening Talk: G. O Sherrard. 7.45—Poetry Recital: John Stephenson. 8.0—Operatic Concert: Station Orchestra: Enid Cruickshanks, Ben Williams, Leslie Jones, Elizabeth Mellor. 9.0—Lorna Thompson (violin) and Mrs. Miley (piano). Sonata Violin and Piano (C. Franck). 9.20—Fay Sargent and Company: Short Sketches. 9.50—Liam Andrews (Pipes). 10.0—Fingal Trio. 10.30—Time, News Bulletin, Weather Forecast and close down.

BELFAST—242.3 Metres (1,238 Kc.).

10.15-10.30—Daily Service. 12.0—Organ Music, by Herbert Westerby. Relayed from the Grosvenor Hall, Belfast. 12.30-1.0—Gramophone Records. 4.0—Dance Music. The Romano Rhythm Boys, relayed from the Plaza, Belfast. 5.0—Adelaide Beattie (soprano). 5.15—Children's Hour. 6.0—Daventry National Programme. 9.15—Regional News. 9.20-11.0—Daventry National Programme.

NATIONAL—1,554.4 Metres (193 Kc.).

10.15—Daily Service. 10.30—Time, Greenwich; Shipping Forecast. 10.45-11.0—"Stories of Great Invalids"—V. Mrs. Mary MacCarthy. 12.0—A Concert: Joanna Goff (soprano), Adelaide Newman (pianoforte). 12.30—Organ Recital by Stanley Blizard, Organist and Director of the Choir, St. Barnabas, Clapham Common. Relayed from St. Mary-le-Bow. Austen Carnegie (baritone). 1.0—Time, Greenwich. 1.30-2.30—Recital of Gramophone Records. 4.0—Light Music: Moschetto and his Orchestra, from the May Fair Hotel. 4.45—Time, Greenwich. 5.15—Children's Hour. 6.0—Mr. Compton Mackenzie: "Gardening in the Wind" (from Edinburgh). 6.15—"The First News," Weather Forecast, First General News Bulletin, London Stock Exchange Report and Fat Stock Prices for Farmers. 6.30—Time, Greenwich. 6.40—The Foundations of Music: Schubert Quartets, played by the Kutcher Quartet. 7.0-7.20—The B.B.C. Music Critic. Mr. Ernest Newman. 7.25—"India"—I. Sir William Lawrence, Bart., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., C.B.: "India and the Living Past." 7.45—Interval. 8.0—The Legend of the Invisible City: "Kitesh," and of the maiden Fevronia In four acts. 9.0—Time, Greenwich. 9.0—"The Second News," Weather Forecast, Second General News Bulletin. 9.15—Shipping Forecast, New York Stock Market Report. 9.20—"Kitesh" (continued). 10.20—Topical Talk. 10.35-12.0—Dance Music. Henry Hall's Gleneagles Hotel Band, from the Midland Hotel, Manchester. 11.30—Time, Greenwich.

LONDON REGIONAL—356.3 Metres (842 Kc.).

10.15—Daventry National Programme. 11.0-11.30—Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process (356.3 m. vision; 261.3 m. sound). 12.0—Gramophone Records. 1.0—The Midland Studio Orchestra. Winifred Payne (contralto). 2.15-3.0—Lozells Picture House Orchestra (from Midland Regional). 4.0—Daventry National Programme. 5.15—Jack Payne and his B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. 6.15—"The First News," Weather Forecast, First General News Bulletin. 6.40—Alec Feuermann's Quintet. Edward Krisa and Henry Leslie (pianofortes). 8.0—A Recital of Easthope Martin's Songs. Doris Vane (soprano), Percy Heming (baritone). 8.25—Regional News. 8.30—Reading of "The Ancient Mariner." (Samuel Taylor Coleridge). 9.0—An Orchestral Concert. The B.B.C. Orchestra. 10.15—"The Second News," Weather Forecast, Second General News Bulletin. 10.30-12.0—Dance Music. Henry Hall's Gleneagles Hotel Band, from the Midland Hotel, Manchester. 12.0-12.30 a.m.—Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process (356.3 m. vision; 261.3 m. sound).

MANCHESTER—376.4 metres (797 Kc.) and LEEDS—200 metres (1,500 Kc.).

10.15 — Daily Service. 10.30-11.0 — Daventry National Programme. 4.0—The Northern Studio Orchestra. Ernest Smith (tenor). 5.15—Children's Hour. 6.0—Daventry National Programme. 7.45—A Musical Comedy Programme. The Northern Studio Orchestra. Soloist, Teresa Russell (soprano). 9.0—Daventry Natoinal Programme. 9.15—North of England News. 9.20—The Geographical Association's Spring Meeting. Address by the Right Hon. Sir Halford Mackinder, P.C., Chairman of the Imperial Shipping Committee and Imperial Economics Committee, and Professor of Geography at London University, on "Geography in Education with a view to business." Relayed from a dinner held at the Municipal College of Technology, Manchester. 9.50—The Northern Studio Orchestra. 10.20-11.0—Daventry National Programme.

MIDLAND REGIONAL—479.2 Metres (626 Kc.).

12.0—London Regional Programme. 1.0—Midland Studio Orchestra. Winifred Payne (contralto). 2.15-3.0—Lozells Picture House Orchestra. 5.15—Children's Hour. "Raindrops," a Fairy Story, by Beatrice Carr. Songs by Hilda Abbott (soprano). 6.0—London Regional Programme. 6.15—"The First News," Weather Forecast, First General News Bulletin. 6.40—Organ Recital by Dr. Harold Rhodes. Relayed from Coventry Cathedral. 7.15—Part Songs. The Midland Studio Chorus, under the direction of Nigel Dallaway. 7.45—A Band Concert. Foden's Motor Works Band. Relayed from the National Trades and Industrial Exhibition, Bingley Hall, Birmingham. 8.25—Midland News. 8.30—London Regional Programme. 9.0—Dance Music. Jack Kerr and his Band. Relayed from Tony's Ballroom, Birmingham. 9.30—"Nine Thirty Novelties" (2). A light entertainment. 10.15-10.30—"The Second News." Weather Forecast, Second General News Bulletin.

FOREIGN STATIONS.

2. 0—Instrumental Concert (Copenhagen).
6.30—Concert by the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra and the Vienna Symphony Orchestra (Vienna).
8.30—Soloist and Orchestral Concert (Milan).
10. 0—Military Band Concert (Budapest).

A VINDICATION OF PARNELL.

CAPTAIN HARRISON'S BOOK.

Parnell Vindicated. By Captain Henry Harrison. London: Constable. 17/- net.

WHEN Parnell refused to defend himself in the Divorce Court it was supposed generally that he had no defence to offer, and the *ex parte* evidence was permitted to pass without cross-examination. Parnell himself, in the discussions in Committee Room 15, suggested that he had lifted only "a corner of the veil," and made it very plain that he "would rather appear to be dishonourable than be dishonourable." So he maintained silence to the end, and his friend, Captain Henry Harrison, who was one of his intimates in the later years of his career, also maintained silence so long as there remained alive members of his family who might have been unnecessarily pained by the evidence which he had to present. One by one the great protagonists of the epic struggle have passed away; Mrs. Parnell, Justin MacCarthy, T. P. O'Connor, William O'Brien and "Tim" Healy, all have gone into the pages of history, and Captain Harrison believes that the time is opportune for the vindication of the Parnell whom he had loved and served forty years ago.

UNHAPPY, FAR-OFF THINGS.

"Parnell's career," says Captain Harrison, "will long remain, for Irish people at least, a fruitful subject of study, discussion and contemplation. If a provisionally final judgment upon it be overdue, it is first necessary to complete the case by rounding off the evidence and by securing its acceptance. The alluring task of helping to formulate, in part or in whole, the general case upon which the verdict of history will be given must come later." So in this new book Captain Harrison confines himself mainly to the proceedings of the Divorce Court and an examination of the evidence there presented.

TAINTED "EVIDENCE."

The immediate reason for the publication of Captain Harrison's book is the position claimed for a book alleged to have been written by Mrs. Parnell and published in 1914 under the title, "Charles Stewart Parnell: His Love Story and Political Life." With this book Captain Harrison deals very drastically. Upon some others he is only a little less severe, and upon Mr. St. John Ervine he rains a series of really vicious blows, which cannot permit that pugnacious author to keep his head unbowed.

"CONNIVANCE" AND "KNOWLEDGE."

Was Captain O'Shea a "deceived" husband, or was he well aware of his wife's love for Parnell? In a detailed examination of the evidence presented to the Divorce Court, and in a very damaging examination of Mrs. Parnell's book, Captain Harrison concludes that O'Shea not only knew what was passing, but used his knowledge for his own ends.

THE VINDICATION.

"I claim," says Captain Harrison in his final chapter, "to have made good. I claim that the enigma of the Parnell story is solved—solved by the evidence that has been drawn forth from its several sources and marshalled in orderly array, clear beyond all cavilling and conclusive beyond all possibility of legitimate dispute. The solution is that the picture given of Parnell in the Divorce Court was a false picture, and that Parnell in his private life was a man of honour, of manhood, of pride, just as he was in his public life. True, he broke the law of the Churches in taking another man's wife, and in that regard, being strong in his conviction that both conscience and honour justified him in the circumstances of the case, he was content to abide the missiles of all such as were impelled by their own conscious rectitude to cast their stones at him. He was fortified in his endurance by a scornful resentment at the invasion of the domain of his personal affairs and of his private judgment by a clamour of uninstructed public judgments. But in the taking of another man's wife Parnell was no sneak, and engaged himself neither in grovelling deceits nor in unworthy traffickings, but, on the contrary, treated his union as a life union equivalent to honourable marriage and his life-partner as a consort entitled to the most chivalrous consideration. His own resolute silence in the Divorce Court was the result of his desire for a lawful marriage and for the immediate regularisation of the position of his children and of their mother."

Tenor's Treble Success.

Dublin Singers Excel at the Sligo Feis Ceoil.

The Sarto Memorial Medal For Plain Song.

FROM OUR SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE.
SLIGO, Thursday.

THE chief feature on the morning and afternoon programme at the Sligo Feis Ceoil to-day was the choral competitions. There were six classes for school choirs, and entries from convent schools in Mayo and Donegal. Listening to the singing of these choirs one regretted that more schools had not followed their lead. The standard in the English classes was exceptionally high. There were all those delicate little touches that make good part singing an absolute joy to hear. The choirs were conducted by school girls, and they showed an extraordinary aptitude for their tasks. The choirs sang with a spontaneity that was exhilarating.

The competition for the Joseph Sarto Cup for plain song provided a keen struggle, and was followed with great interest by a large crowd.

The competitions last night for the cups for song interpretation provided entertainment of a very high standard. The high level was largely due to the appearance of quite a number of singers well known at the Dublin Feis Ceoil, and there was about the night something strongly suggestive of a Plunkett Greene or Joseph O'Mara Cup night at the Metropolitan Hall, Dublin, an impression strengthened by the appearance of Miss Dorothy Stokes as accompanist for many of these singers. Of course, that added to the merit of their performance, especially when it came to the playing of the piano part of such songs as Sacknowsky's "The Clock" or Maurice Besley's very modern "Listening."

Challenge Cup, for Song Interpretation, open to all voices. Competitors were free to sing one song of their own selection.

Cup won by Mr. H. Hope-Johnston Dublin, who sang "Peace" (Schubert). The winner received 92 marks.

Miss Hilda Wallis, Dublin, was second with 89 marks. She sang "The Clock" (Sachnowsky).

SPLENDID VOICES.

Dr. Darke, who adjudicated, said that it was not often that a judge could say that every singer in the competition had a splendid voice, and more, that the songs were all sung with artistry, as had been the case in this extraordinarily interesting competition.

Referring to the Cup winner, Dr. Darke said that both Mr. Dunhill and he felt that, save for the fact that the pace was just a little on the slow side, the singer had given a most finished and artistic performance of the Schubert song. It was a wonderful song, and only singers could appreciate its difficulties, which were far greater than many more elaborate songs. This competitor had created a wonderful impression, and he was a real artist.

The lady who came second (Miss Wallis) had considerable range in her interpretative powers. At the start she had shown her art by quickly getting in touch with and impressing her audience. She had done it also at the end of the song, when she worked up a splendid climax, and throughout she showed great sensitiveness of phrasing. She had a fine voice and generally was a very promising singer.

The Sligo Cup, for Male Voices.

The tests were:—(a) Tenors: "Why should we seek" (Strauss); baritone: "In the night" (Brahms); bass: recit., "I rage, I melt, I burn; aria: "O ruddier than the cherry" (Handel), and (b) an Irish air of competitor's own choice.

Cup won by Mr. H. Hope-Johnston with 178 marks.

Second, Mr. H. Hallows, Sligo, with 167 marks.

Mr. Dunhill said that in the Brahms song the winner sang with great feeling for the phrase. That was one of this singer's chief points—he could phrase beautifully and naturally. His sense of tempo was not quite so definite. He had a voice of very appealing quality, real warmth and sincerity. His second song, "The Gentle Maiden" (Somerville), was almost beyond criticism, with appealing tone and a beautiful lilt. It was a memorable interpretation of a very beautiful melody.

RECITATION.

The Special Open Class (Recitation), for competitors over 17 years, attracted eight entries. Entrants had to chose one piece verse and prose of their own selection.

Silver Medal—Miss Blanche Mercer, Dublin, and Miss Evelyn Cole, Sligo, tied with 90 marks each. Bronze Medal—Miss Jill Noone, Sligo (85 marks).

Mr. Cleghorn Thomson, the adjudicator, said that he had a secret sense of satisfaction in having at last found a person to whom he could award the same number of marks as he was awarding Miss Mercer. The latter's performance was a delicious piece of characterisation and economy of gesture. He had great difficulty in refraining from joining in the applause.

Miss Cole's performance was a very fine piece of work, the characterisation at the end being quite brilliantly done.

Novices 'Cello Solo (5 entries). Test: (a) Andante (Nölck); (b) Tempo di Ballo (Nölck)—First (silver medal)—Miss Teresa O'Donnell, Kiltimagh (85), but she having won this last year was disqualified, and the silver medal went to Miss Peggy Howley, Sligo (83); bronze medal, Miss Joyce Bentley, Sligo (80).

Dr. Darke said that they had heard five very capable and promising young 'cellists in this class. The winner had a very steady, pure tone, and, on the whole, played well in tune. Her work was very musically phased; her technique and intonation were sure, and hers was a capital performance.

School Choir (three-part)—Test: (a) "How Calmly the Evening" (Elgar); (b) piece of competitor's own choice.

There was only one entry, St. Aiden's Senior Choir, Kiltimagh (Conductor, Miss May O'Leary) (180 marks).

County School Choirs (two-part)—Tests: (a) "We Be Three Poor Mariners" (A. Rowley); (b) piece of own choice.

There was only one entry, St. Aiden's Junior Choir, Kiltimagh (Conductor, Miss Agnes Gallagher).

[St. Aiden's is the day school under the Sisters of St. Louis Convent, Kiltimagh.]

GIRL CONDUCTOR.

Dr. Darke said that these were two splendid little choirs, and their standard of singing was as high as he had heard at any festival. He was glad to see that they were conducted by one of the school girls. It was a splendid thing to make one of the class conduct the choir, and he thought that the teachers should make each girl take charge in turn at rehearsals.

Junior, any Song—1, Silver Medal, Una Collins, Sligo (90 marks); 2, Bronze Medal, Patty Verdon, Sligo (84).

Dr. Darke said that they did not look for wonderful voices in a class for young children, but they looked for natural style and clear diction. The winner was a charming little singer, and her performance of "The Leprechaun" was irresistible and beautiful.

Irish School Choirs—Test: (a) "An Táirín Lan" (O Foghludha); (b) Irish chorus of competitors' own choice.

One entry, St. Louis N.S. Choir, Bundoran (Conductor, Miss Lena McNally), 171 marks, which entitled them to first prize.

Irish County School Choirs (schools outside an urban district)—Test, same as in previous competition. One entry, St. Aiden's Junior Choir, Kiltimagh (Conductor, Miss Agnes Gallagher), 167 marks, which secured them first prize.

Irish School Choirs (unison). Test: (a) "Ar n-Athair agus a Mhuire" (Hardebeck); (b) Irish unison chorus of own choice.—1, St. Louis Convent National School (seniors), Bundoran (177 marks); 2, St. Louis Convent National School (juniors), Bundoran (171 marks).

Irish Choirs, three-part. Test: (a) "Luibin na mBuclai" (Kendall Irwin); (b) Irish chorus of own choice.—1, St. Louis Convent Choir, Balla (conductor Miss B. Deere) (187 marks); 2, St. Aiden's Senior Choir, Kiltimagh (175 marks).

The adjudicator (Diarmuid O h-Almhain, Dublin), said that from the Irish point of view the singing could have been much better. The language should have been better linked up with the music. They wanted to get away from the methods of singing in English, as these songs were mainly folk-songs, and needed to be sung differently.

Intermediate Piano Solo (lower). Competitors under 15 years. Test: "Erinnerung" (Schumann); No. 1 of two Alpine Sketches (C. Scott), and sight-reading.—Silver medal, Sheila McLean, Dublin (184 marks); bronze medal, Deidre Farragham, Dublin (176 marks).

Intermediate Violin Solo (under 18 years). Test: Melodie (Drdla); "Lisette" (Papini), and sight-reading.—Silver medal, Alexander Muir, Derry (187 marks); bronze medal, Mary M'Monagle, Ballina (185 marks).

Mr. Dunhill stressed the importance of sight-reading, upon which the second prize was practically decided. The prize-winner was a most promising player.

Senior, Any Song (for novices)—Silver medal, J. Garican, Sligo (82 marks); bronze medal, J. Kilcoyne, Sligo (81 marks).

Mr. Dunhill said that this class contained more raw material than finished product. The winner had a voice of some promise, and was one of all the singers able to sing smoothly and with ease. There were some good moments in the performance of the runner-up.

Sarto Memorial Medal. For the best rendering of plain-song. Open to female or male voice choirs, who were required to sing: (a) *O Sacrum Convivium;* (b) *Ubi Caritas,* and (c) *Salve Regina, Liber, Usualis,* No. 780. Five entries—1, St. Aiden's Boys' Choir, Kiltimagh (conductor, Miss Kitty McGreal) (98 marks); 2, St. Louis Convent Choir, Balla (conductor, Miss L. McNally) (83 marks).

The Rev. John Burke, who adjudicated, said that the Sligo Feis was to be congratulated on its share towards the restoration of plain-song; and it was most encouraging to note the increase this year in the number of entries for this class. There were several possible methods of rendering the chant. Fundamentally, however, it was a matter of discovering the best method which would enable them to "pray in beauty." Of course, they were free to cherish their own predilections in this respect, but the principle of "aiming high to hit something," if adopted, would make towards a perfection. Such choirs, perfectly trained as individuals and as a unit, would be an example from whom the congregation would ultimately learn.

BEAUTIFUL TONE.

There had been an all-round improvement in the singing since last year. Referring to the winners, Father Burke said that their singing had affected him very much, indeed: the tone was beautiful, the rhythm throughout quite good. They sang with great restraint, especially on the higher notes, and were the only choir to get the rise and fall so necessary to bring out the beauty of plain-song. He congratulated the teacher and her responsive choir on their performance. The whole effect was very prayerful and lovely.

Connaught Perpetual Challenge Cup. For the best rendering of plain chant. Open to male and female voice choirs from any primary or secondary school in Connaught. The tests were (a) *Introit. Puer natus est;* (b) *Alleluia. Dies sanctificatus;* (c) *Communio viderunt omnes,* from *Liber Usualis,* No. 780.

There was only one entry, Dr. Seelrdrager's Choir, Westport, and they were awarded 52 marks.

Father Burke said that the main trouble with this choir was that they allowed the chest voice to predominate. There was not enough restraint, and the rhythm was broken. However, he congratulated them for their earnestness.

Action Song (in Irish). Test: Any two songs from *An Claisceadal*—1, St. Aiden's Infant School, Kiltimagh, with 98 marks; 2, Miss Depew's Choir No. 1, with 94 marks.

The adjudicator said that he had never seen any performance by children anywhere that so delighted him as that by the Kiltimagh children. He was especially pleased to find their songs savouring of the Gaeltacht and everything Irish. Purely traditional Irish songs were much more desirable for children at school than recent-day compositions

Contralto Solo. Test: (a) "He is Tender with the Beasts" (Ford); (b) "My Mind is like the Mountain Steep" (Grieg)—1, Gold Medal, Miss Grace Longfield, Dublin (173 marks); 2, Silver Medal, Miss Mona Eakins, Dublin (162 marks).

Dr. Darke said that the winner had sung artistically and intelligently, but should try to get a little more variety into her tone. She was an accomplished singer, but her technique needed more finish.

THE COMMITTEE CUP.

The Committee Cup competition, to sing two songs to own accompaniment, one song by an Irish composer. Cup won by Miss Hilda Wallis, Dublin, who scored 180 marks. Her songs were: "Padraic the Fiddler," by Dr. Larchet, and "The Lake Isle of Innisfree," by Muriel Herbert; 2, Miss Grace Longfield, Dublin (175 marks). Her songs were: "A Soft Day," by Stanford, and "Margaret at the Spinning Wheel," by Schubert.



MISS H. WALLIS.

Dr. Darke said that this competition was a test of real musicianship, and they had a remarkably high standard. The winner, Miss Wallis, was the possessor of a beautiful voice, and knew how to use it, but more still, she had real imagination, and she created atmosphere. She gave a charming performance of both songs. Her piano playing reached the same high standard as her singing.

Tenor Solo. Test pieces: (a) "O! How Shall I in Language Weak" (Carey); (b) "An Irish Love Song" (Harty).—1, Gold Medal, Patrick Kirwan, Kingstown (176 marks); 2, Silver Medal, J. Hogge, Sligo (163 marks).

Dr. Darke said that the winner gave a very finished, artistic performance. He had a splendid voice

Soprano Solo. Test: "Lotus Flower" (Schumann) and Vainka's Song (in G minor) (Van Stutzmann)—1, Miss Eileen Clancy, Dublin (163 marks); 2, Miss G. Leonard, Manorhamilton; 3, Miss Evelyn Morton, Dublin (160 marks).

Dr. Darke, adjudicating, said that he was most disappointed in the standard of this competition, although, perhaps, he expected more after the previous night's performance. The two tests were difficult, though splendid ones. There was one singer of note above the others, but even her performance was hardly up to the standard of a gold medal, and he could only award her sufficient marks to secure the silver one. She had a well-developed voice, quite steady, with many expressive qualities, and sang with musical feeling and a nice sense of phrase. The runners-up sang with feeling, but not enough finish. Their voices were somewhat rough and uncontrolled.

Trio in Irish. Tests: "An Cuilfhionn" (arr. Hardebeck), and an Irish trio of competitor's own choice—1, St. Louis Convent, Balla, trio (Misses B. O'Neill, B. Deere and M. Deere); 2, Kiltimagh trio (Misses McGreal, McNamara and Keegan).

Any Song in Irish (Senior)—1, Miss Alice Depew, Sligo.

The wrong names were published in error as the winners of the violin duet (with piano accompaniment), held on Wednesday. The winners were given as two ladies from Sligo. There was only one entry, the Misses Marv Conlan and M. Campbell, Buncrana, and they were recommended for a special second prize, as they were not up to first prize standard.

Mixed Choirs. Tests: "Loch Lomond" (arr. Dunhill) and "My True Love hath my Heart" (Bullock)—1, Sligo Mixed Choir (conductor, Mr. Mark Franklin), 171 marks; 2, Letterkenny Choral Union (conductor, Mr. E. Stevenson), 164 marks.

Dr. Darke expressed disappointment that more than two choirs had not entered. Choral singing, or orchestral playing, afforded them the finest opportunity of making music together. The winners had a beautiful blended tone, and showed a wide range of expression. A little more elasticity in the rhythm would have been welcome; they were inclined to be too rigid. In this respect they could learn from the second choir, which had much greater heartiness and keenness in their singing, though the material was not so good.

Song and Chorus in Irish. Test: "*An Coisire*" (Hardebeck) and an Irish chorus of own choice. There was only one entry—*Na Ceoilteoiri* (conductor, Miss Alice Depew). They were awarded 162 marks, and recommended for the silver medal.

Mr. Diarmuid O Halmhain said that these Irish songs were virtually all folk songs, and they allowed of greater elasticity than part songs in English. As a matter of fact, he believed it was best to ignore the bar lines when singing them.

Senior Quick Practice Piano Competition—Silver medal, Miss Lily Connolly, Dublin (83 marks); bronze medal, Miss Mabel West, Ballinasloe (79 marks).

Mr. T. F. Dunhill, the adjudicator, said that instead of being called the senior quick practice competition it should have been called the senior slow practice one. The competitors, instead of having the test a week before the competition, should have been handed it that morning. Some of the competitors were lacking in technique, and were inclined not to let their right hands know what their left hands were doing. Some of them also tried to cover up their faults by the use of the pedal. The winner deserved high praise for playing the piece from memory, but she was not sure as to her notes, and would have got more marks if she had not played from memory. She did not quite know the piece, but was a good player.

VIOLIN PLAYING.

The silver cup competition for violin playing attracted four entries—1, Miss Rita Braig, Derry (177 marks); 2, Alex. Muir, Derry (175 marks). Competitors had to perform two pieces of their own selection of different character.

Mr. Dunhill said that he sometimes wondered why it was that, while such beautiful music had been written for the violin, people chose music not written for it. Of the eight pieces he had heard at least six were not fitted for violin playing. Every one of the players showed not only a great deal of promise, but a very considerable degree of accomplishment. The standard of playing was surprisingly high. The playing of the first prize winner was excellent, her intonation being first-class. Her second piece was a most exacting one, but he thought that her choice was justified, and she played it brilliantly and musically. The second prize winner chose two pieces, neither of which was suitable, but both of which were good music. The third played with real feeling, and gave a most interesting performance.

There was only one entry in the Senior Piano Duet Competition and in the Mixed Quartette (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass).

Referring to the former, Mr. T. F. Dunhill, adjudicator, said that the two players, Mrs. O Riordan and Mr. A. O'Daly, Sligo, were very well balanced, and had strong rhythm, which was most valuable to the piece. He awarded them 86 marks. He was not very pleased with the performance of the quartet; the voices were excellent and well-blended, but there was a lack of smooth and graceful phrasing. He awarded them 161 marks.

The Dancing Competitions were well catered for, the number of entries being extremely large. Mr. R. MacGabhann adjudicated.

Slip and Double Jigs, for Teachers and Prize-Winners—1, Miss P. Lester, Sligo (185 marks); 2, Miss B. McGowan, Sligo (160 marks).

Senior Figure Dance (Four-Hand Reel). Silver Medals—Misses K. Parkes, M. Parkes, M. Connolly, and A. Mulligan, Sligo (91 marks). Bronze Medals—Misses E. Howley, P. Lester, A. Flynn, and B. Conlon, Sligo (83 marks).

Senior Reel. Silver Medal—Miss P. Lester, Sligo (94 marks). Bronze Medal—D. O'Connor, Ballymore (92 marks).

Dramatic Solo Singing (Silver Cup)—Won by Mr. Patrick Kirwan, Dublin, who sang "Ochone, when I Used To Be Young" (Stanford).

Sligo Feis Ceoil Cup, for Female Voices—Won by Miss Grace Longfield, Dublin.

SLIGO FEIS CEOIL.



Miss Florence Kivlehan (Sligo), first in intermediate recitation in English; Miss Phyllis McLoghry, second in junior piano solo, and Miss Megan McGonagle, first in junior piano solo.

Murder of County Down Old Woman.

Jury Disagree in Case of Second Accused Man.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BELFAST, Thursday.

THE Dromara murder trial concluded at the Downpatrick Assizes to-day, when the jury disagreed in the case of Gerald Kennedy, of Athlone, who was charged with the murder of Miss Ellen Maguire (75), of Drumadoney, near Dromara, Co. Down. The accused man was put back to the Summer Assizes. Kennedy was arrested along with a pedlar, Francis Morrison, in Dundalk. and both had in their possession a quantity of sovereigns, which, as was alleged, they had stolen from the murdered woman. Morrison was tried, found guilty of murder, and was sentenced to death.

The Court was again carefully guarded this morning when the trial was resumed, only those having business being allowed in before the judge arrived. Later the galleries became crowded, and a packed court witnessed the final scenes.

The Attorney-General recalled Sergeant Michael Small.

Mr. McSparran, counsel for the accused man, objected to the calling of further witnesses; but Mr. Justice Wilson permitted the further evidence.

Witness said that he was in charge of the prisoner after he was taken into custody, and was present when District-Inspector Allen handed the prisoner a statement made by Morrison.

Mr. Justice Wilson—You must confine yourself to one statement. Did he at any time tell you he wanted to make a further statement?

LIT A CIGARETTE.

Witness—I left him for half-an-hour by himself with the statement. I went out, and after half-an-hour I came back. He asked me could he smoke a cigarette, and I said "Certainly." He lit a cigarette, and then read the statement again. Prisoner began to make a statement, and I cautioned him, and told him that he was not obliged to make any statement, but that any statement he did make might be used in evidence against him. He then said: "I don't wish you to take down my remarks, sergeant. I will make a statement later."

Mr. M'Sparran—Did he propose to make a statement?—Yes; he started off to make a statement.

The Judge then recalled District-Inspector Allen.

Mr. M'Sparran—Take me as objecting to the recalling of these two witnesses.

The Judge called the District-Inspector's attention to the prisoner saying that he had not got a fair chance and was not too well, and asked the witness if he had seen any sign of the accused man being ill.

Witness—None whatever. He stopped for a moment, and then said: "I will say no more, sir."

Did you see any sign of his being ill?—No.

When was that statement made?—On Sunday night, March 1st.

What was the date of his first being brought before the magistrates?—Seven o'clock on the evening of March 2nd.

And when was the next Court?—March 9th, when the case was completed.

Did you know anything about the prisoner being in hospital when in jail?—Yes; I heard that.

JUROR ILL.

After Mr. M'Sparran addressed the jury, it was intimated that one of the jurymen had taken ill. The Court was adjourned for twenty minutes, and at the end of that time the juryman was able to resume.

Mr. Justice Wilson, summing up, said that Kennedy and Morrison had been jointly indicted for murder, and when the trial was about to take place counsel applied to him that Kennedy should be tried separately. He had assented to that course, and accordingly they had Kennedy before them. They had nothing to do with Morrison's trial. It must be discharged entirely from the minds of the jury, and the only evidence on which they could act was the evidence sworn in the witness box before them, apart from any suspicion based on anything they had heard outside the jury box. The jury were the sole judges of the evidence of fact given in the case, and he was alone responsible for the law.

The Judge proceeded to cite the evidence, and said that no Crown witness could say where the prisoner went after leaving Hawthorne's; but the Crown suggested that he and Morrison made their way to Miss Maguire's and did the crime. There was no evidence of that. The Judge traced the prisoner's movements as far as the Dundalk lodging house.

The jury, as stated, could not agree, and the accused man was put back to the next Assizes.

The British Legion.

Annual Dance in Enniscorthy.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
ENNISCORTHY, Thursday.

THE annual dance of the Enniscorthy Branch of the British Legion of ex-Service men, under the patronage of Major-General Beauchamp Doran, C.B., and Colonel John Brown, C.B., was held in the Athenæum, Enniscorthy, last night. The music was supplied by Mr. T. P. Kelly's Band, Dublin, and refreshments were served at a running buffet, under the auspices of the Women's Branch of the Legion. The general arrangements were in the capable hands of the Hon. Secretary, Captain Cookman, Monart House.

Among those present were:—Colonel R. P. Wemyss Quin, M.C., Borleagh; Captain Condon, Borimount; the Rev. J. C. Tyndall, M.A., Enniscorthy; Commander Brickenden, Corey; Captain Cooke, M.C.; Captain Reddy, M.C.; Captain Orpen, Captain Place, M.C., New Ross; Captain Curry, Captain E. R. Cookman, Major McClintock, Mr. E. H. Gibbon, Mr. Bell, Mr. F. Britton, Mr. Melloy, Mr. M. J. O'Morchoe, Mr. R. Ringwood, Mr. S. Moore, Mr. F. G. Ringwood, veterinary surgeon; Mr. A. Leary, Mr W. Ronan, Mr. Griffin, Mr. J. W. L. Jackson, Mr. Latta, Mr. K. Hall, Mr. M. Cowman, Miss Bell, Mrs. Beatty, Mrs. Hildrick, Mrs. Black, Miss Gibbon, Miss Coote, Mrs. Molloy, Miss Jeffairs, Mrs. Kingwood, Miss Murphy, Miss Rickerby, Miss Milne, Miss Stephens, Miss Byrne, Miss Murphy, Miss Harte, Miss Latta, Miss Ruth, Mrs. Newporte, Miss Norkes, Mr. Stamper, Miss O'Reilly, Mr. Collopy, Mr. Stack, the Misses O'Neill, Miss Dwyer, Mr. J. Breen, Mrs. Walshe, Miss O'Leary, Miss Scott, Miss Forde, Miss Walshe, Miss Hall, Miss O'Reilly, Mr. Forde, Mr. Kirkham, Miss Whitford, Miss Keane, Mr. J. Bennett, Miss Dobbin, Miss O'Brien, Miss O'Connor, Miss McMahon, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. Cullen, Mrs. Britten, the Misses Crope, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Mernagh, Mr. E. Davis, Mr. Murphy, Mr. F. Davis, Mrs. Noikes, Miss Whelan, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Miss Davies, Mr. P. O'Leary, Miss Browne, Mrs. Wells, the Misses Kirks, Mr. Rourke, Miss Crowe, Miss Kitcullen, Mr. C. J. Lett, Miss Butgess, Mr. J. H. Lett, Mrs. Sloane, Mr. Wells, Mr. Jones, Mr. Stretton, Miss Edwards, Mr. Carroll, the Misses Lawton, Miss McMahon, Miss Birmingham, Mr. Ritchy, Mr. P. Brooke-Kelly, Mr. R. G. Walsh, Mr. Larkin, Miss Fennell, Miss Dobbs, Miss Roche, Mr. Galvin, Mrs. Brickenden, Miss Harvey, Mr. Fennell, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Phelan, Mr. T. Doyle, Miss O'Reilly, Mr. J. Stamp, Mr. J. Armstrong, Mr. E. Armstrong, Mr. T. Sutton, Mrs. Kickham, Mrs. Smyth, Miss Murphy, Miss Kinsella, Miss Graham, Miss Kickham, Miss Boyd, Miss Jefferies, Mr. Hayden, Mr. R. Batterton, Mr. Cowan, Mr. Rudd, Miss Redmond, Miss Cairns, Mr. Boyd, Miss Boyd, the Misses Batterton, Mr. Lawton, Mr. Dobbs, Miss Darlington, Miss Turtle, Mr. Meyler, Mrs. Orpen, Miss Whelan, Mr. Moody, Miss Kenny, Mr. Julianne, Mr. Thomas Shaw, Mrs. Boyce, Mr T. Beatty, Mr. Ringwood.

Feis Shligigh.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
SLIGO, Thursday.

FEIS Shligigh was continued to-day.

Junior Plays in Irish Language—1, silver cup, Sligo Junior Players; 2, Collooney Players.

Juvenile Recitation in English (twenty entries)—1, Patrick McHugh, Cliffooney; 2, Maisie McHugh, Cliffooney; 3, Florence Kivlehan, Sligo; highly commended, Elma Jinks, Sligo.

Senior Blackbird (six entries)—1, Edyth West, Ballinasloe; 2, Maire Mulcahy, Sligo, and Eileen Howley, Sligo, tied; 3, Evelyn Mulcahy, Sligo.

Senior, any song (song to be sung with Irish words, or with words in any other language, but must be Irish in spirit) (seventeen entries)—1, Jennie O'Regan, Ballina; 2, Gertie Leonard, Manorhamilton; 3, Michael Hughes, Sligo.

Reel—The Seamus Devin's Cup (eight entries)—1, Sean Kelly, Sligo; 2, Michael O'Loughlin, Sligo; 3, Kevin Conway, Moneygold.

Intermediate, Slip Jig and Double Jig (eleven entries)—1, Breda O'Toole, Galway; 2, Jacky Conway, Sligo; 3, Pattie Mahon, Sligo.

Junior Reel (twenty-eight entries)—1, Annie Hevers, Boyle; 2, Breda O'Toole, Galway; 3, M. Connolly, Sligo.

Irish Recitation—Children, under 12 years (twenty-two entries)—1, Caitlinni Chaoilte, Sligo; 2, Kevin Flanagan, Ballyhaunis; 3, Maire ni Gheannain.

Irish Recitation (under 14 years) (five entries)—1, Sean Macmurchdha, Coolooney; 2, Deirdre ni Mhaolchathaigh; 3, Seamus Rossiter, Sligo.

Irish Recitation (under 17 years) (three entries)—1, Aoife Nic Amhlaidhe, and Maedhbh ni Mhaolchathaigh; 2, Liam Rennick.

Irish Conversation—Gold medal awarded to Sean Macmurchadha.

Juvenile Conversation in Irish—1, Mairin MacAodha and Padraig S. MacAodha, Cliffooney.

Junior Conversation in Irish (four entries) —1, Maedbh ni Mhaolchathaigh and Deirdre Nic Mhaolchathaigh, Sligo; 2, Sean Mac Murchadha, Collooney, and Queenie Dolan, Sligo.

Senior Conversation in Irish—1, Seamus Brungeevagh.

No Sunday Baths.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BELFAST, Thursday.

The Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Belfast Corporation to-day rejected an application to have an open air swimming pond available to the public on Sunday during the summer months. The application was made by one of the well-known swimming clubs in the city, the Clonard Amateur Swimming and Life-saving Society.

Dead on Railway Line.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BALLYMENA, Thursday.

The body of Samuel O'Shannon (52), fireman, in the employment of the L.M.S. Railway, was found on the railway line at Cookstown Junction, near Randalstown, early this morning. The body was shockingly mutilated. It is thought that he was run over by a train. Deceased man was a brother of Mr. Cathal O'Shannon, Dublin.

SCHOLARSHIPS IN CARLOW.

SCHEME TO BE RESTORED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
CARLOW, Thursday.

THE Carlow County Council has decided to restore the University Scholarship Scheme, which was abolished about two months ago. Mr. K. Hosey proposed that the resolution abolishing the scheme be rescinded, and this was seconded by Mr. O'Connell.

Mr. Kehoe (Chairman) said that the reason he supported Mr. Broughan's resolution to discontinue the scheme at a previous meeting was because the Vocational Education Act imposed an increased burden on the rates. In view of the Government's promise to introduce a de-rating scheme he thought the Council would be justified in rescinding the resolution. It had been truly said that a lot of people who obtained scholarships in the last twenty-five years were not deserving of them. If they got one superman in that time, as a result of the scheme, they would be justified in retaining it.

Mr. Broughan said that he had very good reasons on the last occasion for introducing his motion, and nothing had occurred since to change those reasons, or to influence the Council to change its decision. The scheme had been in operation for over a quarter of a century in the country, and during that time no outstanding big man had conferred any material benefit on the people or the country as a result of the amount of money expended on the scheme. The scheme only succeeded in giving them candidates to seek positions in the already over-crowded professions in the country, and they need have no fear that they would ever be short of candidates with sufficient qualifications for those positions. That scheme scarcely ever attained its primary object—to give the working man's child a university education. It was very often boys and girls whose parents could better afford to pay for their children than ratepayers to contribute who got these scholarships.

THE RATEPAYERS.

Mr. Nolan, in supporting Mr. Broughan's remarks, said that the Council should not restore the scheme until they knew definitely whether the ratepayers were going to get relief or not.

Mr. Doyle, T.D.—The abolition of the scheme came as a thunderbolt to students who were going forward for scholarships. It was a great hardship on these people, and placed them in an awkward position. Considering the short period this Council has to go, I do not think that it will deprive the small farmers' sons and daughters of the benefits of the scheme.

Mr. Broughan—I am all in favour of education, but I want the Government to be made responsible for providing it.

Mr. Hosey's motion to restore the scheme was eventually declared carried by eight votes to seven.

Teaching Boys to Darn Socks.

Proposal at Teachers' Conference.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
COLERAINE, Thursday.

THE twelfth annual conference of the Ulster Teachers' Union concluded at Portrush to-day. Next year's conference, at the invitation of the Newry Branch, will be held in Warrenpoint. The concluding session was devoted to a series of resolutions, all of which were adopted. One resolution created a slight departure from the unanimity of opinion—that calling for a shorter school day for infant children.

Mr. J. King Carson (Carrickfergus) described the resolution as ridiculous, and suggested that the public would deduce from it that the teachers were thinking more of themselves than the children.

His speech aroused much dissent, and Mr. Carson subsequently stated, in withdrawing the aspersion, that he meant no reflection on the honour of the teachers.

Other resolutions called for compulsory medical inspection of children; deprecated the grading and promotion of pupils solely on the standard of age; calling for a revision of the school curriculum, or more time for the more important subjects.

Miss MacLachlan (Belfast) said that in the revised programme junior boys should be taught to sew on their own buttons and darn their own socks. She had seen men with a string fasten buttons, because they could not thread a needle.

A resolution was passed calling attention to the serious laxity in administering the compulsory attendance clauses of the Education Act; and another resolution called for financial protection for teachers.

A THREATENING LETTER.

CLONMEL BODY'S CONDEMNATION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
CLONMEL, Thursday.

"TAKE warning by this, and it will take place, and by —— you will meet the same as Curtin got. I will do for you. Your time is short.—Signed by I.R.A. Man."

The above threatening letter, enclosed in an envelope addressed "Dr. Fitzgerald, Mental Hospital, Clonmel," dated 4/4/'31, and bearing a Clonmel postmark, was read by Dr. Fitzgerald, Resident Medical Superintendent, at a meeting of the Joint Committee of Management of the Mental Hospital in Clonmel.

Dr. Fitzgerald said that he did not know the meaning of it nor why it was sent to him, and he never got one before.

Mr. Flynn—I would take no notice of it.

Chairman (Mr. R. Curran)—Oh, but I would. I think, to say the least of it, it is most disgraceful that a document like that should be sent to Dr. Fitzgerald. He is here to discharge his duty, and he is doing it impartially.

Mr. J. J. Hassett, T.D.—I received some documents like that in my time, and I would denounce it as the action of a coward, some low criminal. I believe myself that the person who wrote it would not have the courage to come out and shoot Dr. Fitzgerald if he had a hundred death-dealing weapons. I have known as much of the I.R.A. of Tipperary as anyone else, and I do not believe that there is any genuine I.R.A. man in this or any other county who would put his name to a document of that kind. That document has been written by some cowardly ruffian.

DOING HIS DUTY.

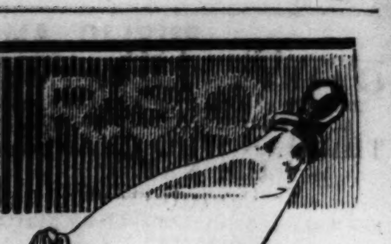
Dr. Fitzgerald is doing his duty conscientiously and carefully, as he has always done it, and everyone of us appreciate Dr. Fitzgerald for his sterling honesty. We hope that we have seen the last of the murders in this country, and I believe we have. Murders of that kind bring disgrace upon the country. I hope it will not deter Dr. Fitzgerald in carrying out his duties, and he can always feel that he has the committee behind him.

Mr. J. Timoney—Although Dr. Fitzgerald does not need our sympathy, I think we should express our sympathy with him in the annoyance he has been caused. These anonymous letters are only written by cowards.

Mr. Hassett—I suggest that the letter be handed over to the police. I think every effort should be made to trace the writer.

Chairman—The committee are behind Dr. Fitzgerald, and I hope that document will not deter him from going on in the way he is going.

Dr. Fitzgerald—It will not.



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With GEORGE BUTLER.
Next Week :—JOHN BAXTER and JOHN BARTER.
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TO-NIGHT and TO-MORROW NIGHT,
At 8 o'clock.
MATINEE TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) at 2.30.
"LET THE CREDIT GO."
A Play in Four Acts, by MAJOR BRYAN COOPER.
Booking at the Theatre 10.30 to 6.
Next Week—"ANN KAVANAGH" and "THE ELOQUENT DEMPSEY."

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CONTINUOUS .... 2.0 to 11.0 p.m.
THE FUNNIEST FARCE EVER SCREENED.
"CHARLEY'S AUNT,"
WITH
CHARLES RUGGLES.
THE SILENT SCREEN "AUNT" WAS A JOKE:
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DAILY at 2.30, 4.50, 7.10 and 9.30 p.m.
TO BE RETAINED ALL NEXT WEEK.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

STATIONERY OFFICE, DUBLIN.
SALE OF SURPLUS TYPEWRITERS, DUPLICATORS, GAMMETER PRINTING AND ADDRESSING MACHINERY.

The Stationery Office offers for Sale by Tender a quantity of surplus office machinery, comprising:—(a) Typewriters of the following makes:—Underwood (standard and portable), Royal, Woodstock, Hammond, Oliver, Noiseless, Corona Portable; (b) Duplicators and Duplicating Machinery of various makes. The machines can be inspected by intending purchasers at the Stationery Office, Beggars' Bush, Dublin, on Monday and Tuesday, the 13th and 14th April, 1931, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tenders may be submitted (in writing) on a form to be had on application at the Stationery Office.—J. B. WHELEHAN, Controller,
16/Z1717. W.H.Co.

LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION.
POSITIONS VACANT—NURSES.

The Local Appointments Commissioners invite applications for the following whole-time, permanent, pensionable positions:—
(a) TRAINED NURSE, ST. TERESA'S SANATORIUM, BALLINROBE, CO. MAYO. Salary scale £65 by £5 a year to £90 a year with rations, apartments, fuel and light. The best qualified candidate with a competent knowledge of Irish will be recommended for the appointment. If no qualified candidate competent in Irish is available, the person otherwise best qualified will be recommended subject to the terms of the Local Offices and Employments (Gaeltacht) Order, 1928.
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Minimum age in all cases, 21 years on 1st April, 1931. Application Forms and particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin, C.8. Latest date for receiving completed application forms, 24th April, 1931.
16/Z 1746. W.H.Co.

LOCAL APPOINTMENTS COMMISSION.
POSITION VACANT—SURGEON DENTIST.

The Local Appointments Commissioners invite applications for the part-time, non-pensionable position of Visiting Surgeon Dentist (Registered) to the District Mental Hospital, Portlaoighise. Salary £45 a year. The appointment will in the first instance be for a period of one year, and will be renewable by the Joint Committee of Management, with the consent of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, from year to year. Degree or Diploma in Dental Surgery essential. Application forms and particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, Local Appointments Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin, C.8. Latest date for receiving completed application forms 24th April, 1931. 16/Z1748. W.H.Co.

TARIFF COMMISSION.
APPLICATION RELATING TO SOLE, INSOLE AND HARNESS LEATHER AND MANUFACTURED HARNESS.

PUBLIC SITTINGS of the TARIFF COMMISSION will be held at 11 a.m. on TUESDAY, 28th APRIL, 1931, and the three following days, in the BOARD ROOM, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, UPPER MERRION STREET, DUBLIN, in connection with the application of the IRISH FREE STATE TANNERS' FEDERATION for the imposition of a Customs Duty of 25 per cent. on SOLE, INSOLE, and HARNESS LEATHER and MANUFACTURED HARNESS IMPORTED INTO SAORSTAT EIREANN. 16/Z 1737. W.H.Co.

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POSITION VACANT—DRAUGHTSMAN.

The Civil Service Commissioners invite applications for the temporary, whole-time, non-pensionable position of Draughtsman (Male) in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs (Engineering Branch). Salary 30/- by 2/- to 60/- a week, plus bonus. Present bonus on 30/- is 21/-. Minimum age 21 years on 1st April, 1931. Candidates must have a good knowledge of Mechanical or Architectural Drawing, with ability to make freehand sketches. Application Forms and particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin, C.8. Latest date for receipt of completed applications 24th April, 1931. 16/Z 1743. W.H.Co.

TARIFF COMMISSION.
APPLICATION RELATING TO LINEN AND UNION PIECE GOODS AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.

The following application has been referred to the Tariff Commission by the Minister for Finance under Section 2 of the Tariff Commission Act, 1926:—Application by the Dundalk Linen Company, Dundalk; Messrs. Charles Gallen and Company, Balbriggan; the Greenmount and Boyne Linen Company, Limited, Drogheda and Harold's Cross, Dublin; and Messrs. Robert Usher and Company, Limited, Drogheda, for the imposition of a customs duty of 33⅓% ad valorem on the following goods or articles on importation into Saorstát Eireann:—(a) All linen piece goods; (b) all union piece goods—that is to say, all piece goods containing any flax, hemp, hair or ramie in admixture; (c) all household goods described as or falling within the undermentioned descriptions—that is to say, table cloths, table napkins, table mats, towels, sheets, bed, mattress, pillow and bolster cases or covers; (d) all tabling or towelling in the piece; (e) all woven lettered domestic linen, union and cotton cloths and piece goods—that is to say, such cloths or piece goods as have woven into them any letters, crests or monograms. The applicants state that in the application of the general tariff an imperial preferential rate of 25% ad valorem should apply instead of the full general rate. The attention of the public is drawn to Sub-Section 3 of Section 2 of the Tariff Commission Act, 1926, which provides that, when considering any application referred to it by the Minister for Finance, the Commission shall hear every person who desires so to be heard and appears to the Commission to be substantially representative of persons, trades or interests who would or might reasonably be expected to be affected by the granting or refusing, in whole or in part, of the concessions asked for in such application, and shall receive and consider any evidence tendered by any such person. Any person desiring to be heard by the Commission in connection with the above application, should write to the SECRETARY, TARIFF COMMISSION, GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS, UPPER MERRION STREET, DUBLIN, furnishing a statement setting out (a) the grounds on which they base their claim to be heard; (b) the names of the witnesses they propose to call; and (c) the evidence proposed to be given by each of such witnesses: FIVE COPIES OF THIS STATEMENT SHOULD BE FURNISHED IN TYPESCRIPT OR PRINT.
16/Z1740. W.H.Co.

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THE FAMOUS ALDWYCH FARCE.

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TO-DAY.

HALL No. 2.

Junior Violin	11 a.m.
Senior Violin	3 p.m.
Sp. College Boys	4 p.m.

HALL No. 1.

Junior 'Cello	11 a.m.
Piano, Violin and 'Cello	11.30 a.m.
Piano and Violin	12 noon
Junior English Singing	7 p.m.
Fitzgerald Cup	8.30 p.m.
Father Mathew Cup	9 p.m.

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED OF
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GALA MEETING TO-NIGHT.
10.30 P.M., AS USUAL. 'Phone: Dub. 62546.

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Under the Auspices of the
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THE ABERDEEN HALL, GRESHAM HOTEL,
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MICK BROWNE AND HIS BAND.
The President has expressed his intention of being present.
Dancing 8—12. Tickets FIVE SHILLINGS, may be obtained at any Officers' Mess or at the Gresham Hotel.

PETER KENNEDY
STAFF DANCE,
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DANCING, 8 p.m.—3 a.m.
N.B.—Tickets numbered 79 and 80 cancelled, and no tickets procurable at door.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT OF WICKLOW.
NOTICE OF LOCAL INQUIRY INTO CONDITIONS OF GLENDALOUGH BURIAL GROUND.

Notice is hereby given that Dr. W. Sterling Berry, Local Government Inspector, will, on Wednesday, 13th May, 1931, hold an Inquiry at the Hall attached to the Royal Hotel, Glendalough, into the condition of the Glendalough Burial Ground. The Inquiry will commence at 11.30 o'clock a.m.

Any person desiring to claim reservation of burial rights in the said burial ground should make application on a form to be obtained (during the usual office hours) at the Office of the Secretary of the Wicklow Board of Health and Public Assistance, County Home, Rathdrum, and to be returned duly completed to the said Secretary not later than the 11th May, 1931. Such persons will be required to attend at the Inquiry at the time and place aforesaid to verify his claim.
By Order, P. W. SEEHAN, Secretary.
Board of Health Offices, Rathdrum,
April 8th, 1931.

COUNTY OF DUBLIN.
REVISION OF THE LIST OF JURORS, 1931.

Notice is hereby given that the Court for the Revision of the Lists of Jurors of the several Districts of the County of Dublin will be opened by me at the COURT HOUSE, GREEN STREET, DUBLIN, on MONDAY, the 20th APRIL, 1931, at 11 o'clock a.m., and will be continued from day to day until completed. The Secretary of the County Council, and the several Town Clerks and Rate Collectors, and all other persons who have assisted or taken part in preparing any of said Lists are, and each of them is, hereby required to attend such Court. The Lists of Jurors for the County of Dublin for revision will be found for inspection at the OFFICES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL, THE BOROUGH MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK, DUN LAOGHAIRE, THE TOWN CLERK, HOWTH, and also at my Office at the said Court House, and will continue open for inspection up to the said 20th April, 1931. Any person whose name is set forth on such Lists of Jurors who desires to have his name removed from such Lists by me must attend at the Court above named, and give evidence as to the grounds on which he claims to have his name so removed. Any person qualified to serve as a Juror, but exempt from so serving by reason only of being included amongst the persons mentioned in Part II. of the First Schedule to the Juries Act, 1927, may apply in the prescribed form before the 15th May, 1931, to have his or her name included in such Lists. Dated the 7th day of April, 1931.
SEAMUS O CONCHUBHAIR, Registration Officer, County Registrar, Dublin. Court House, Green street, Dublin. 16/Z1734. W.H.Co.

ANNUAL MEETINGS
OF
BIBLE CHURCHMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY (DUBLIN AUXILIARY).
ADMIRAL SIR HARRY STILEMAN, K.B.E., and REV. WILFRED CRITTLE (Burma),
will (D.V.) Speak on
MONDAY, APRIL 13th, in the DAWSON HALL, DAWSON STREET, 4 and 8 p.m.
TUESDAY, APRIL 14th.
MISSION CHURCH, TOWNSEND STREET, 8 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15th,
KINGSTOWN MEN'S CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE, 8 p.m.
THURSDAY, APRIL 16th,
ST. KEVIN'S CHURCH, S.C.R., 8 p.m.
FRIDAY, APRIL 17th,
ST. MARY'S CHAPEL OF EASE (BLACK CHURCH), 7.30 p.m.
SUNDAY, APRIL 19th,
MISSION CHURCH, TOWNSEND STREET, 11.30 a.m.; ST. KEVIN'S CHURCH, S.C.R., 7 p.m.

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I, MARGARET NOLAN, 50 BALLYBOUGH ROAD, intend to apply for Renewal of Licence.

WIRELESS CIRCUIT THAT REQUIRES NO COILS is illustrated in the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES" To-day. Price Twopence.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUBLIN DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF YOUTH.
A MEETING.
Under the auspices of above, on the subject of "OUR POORER FELLOW-CITIZENS,"
Will be held in the
H.C.M. HALL, 35 MOLESWORTH STREET,
At 7.30 p.m. on MONDAY, APRIL 13th, 1931.
Speakers—Miss HARRISON, Miss CRAWFORD, Almoner at the Adelaide Hospital; the Rev. CANON D. H. HALL, B.D.
Followed by Group Discussion.
OPEN TO ALL YOUTH.
Admission Free.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1931.

NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND.

General Eoin O'Duffy, Chief Commissioner Civic Guard, revealed yesterday at Cork details of a vigorous campaign for the revival of athletics in Ireland.—(Page 8.)

Mr. H. A. Mullett, Secretary of the Free State Central Savings Committee, explained to a public meeting in Cork yesterday the terms of issue of the New Savings Certificates, which will be on sale next Monday.—(Page 7.)

At yesterday's Congress of the National Teachers' Organisation in Cork, it was stated that the School Attendance Act was a farce in Dublin, where more children were seen on the streets during school hours than in any other city in Europe.—(Page 8.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

It was officially announced yesterday that the King continues to make "slow, but satisfactory, progress."—(Page 7.)

Mr. William Wright, Labour member for the Rutherglen Division of Lanarkshire, died last night at Rutherglen.—(Page —.)

ABROAD.

The Prince of Wales joined in the aerial escort for H.M.S. Eagle, which arrived at Rio de Janeiro yesterday morning. His machine landed on the deck of the aircraft-carrier as she approached the harbour.—(Page 7.)

Mr. Gandhi developed a temperature yesterday and was unable to leave his house at Amritsar to receive an address from the municipality.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At Powerstown Park yesterday Vale of Avoca won the Kildare Maiden Hurdle Race, Greenly Island the Leinster Plate, Greek Princess the National Hunts' Cup, Irish Light the Huntsman's Plate, Flush of Dawn the Connaught Plate, and Olympian the Munster Plate.—(Page —.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were brighter, but business was on a small scale. British Funds continued to rise.—(Page 12.)

In Lombard street easier conditions existed, and overnight money was available at 2½ to 2¾ per cent. Discount rates were slightly lower.—(Page 12.)

Dublin Market was very quiet. Tobacco issues improved, and Cables Prefs. registered a sharp rise.—(Page 12.)

Britain and Egypt.

On Monday the inhabitants of Beni Suef, a town of Upper Egypt, were treated to an unusual, and not unamusing spectacle. They saw two ex-Premiers, together with a number of ex-Ministers, escorted politely, but firmly, to the train which had just brought them, and sent back to Cairo. The incident is trifling in itself, but it possesses interest as a sign of Sidky Pasha's effort to combat Wafdist and Liberal disturbance in Egypt. In 1927 Nahas Pasha, the present Wafdist leader, became the Egyptian Premier. After the dismissal of his Government in the same year, Mahmoud Pasha, the Liberal leader, administered the country, but in 1928 King Fuad suspended the Constitution, which had been in force since 1923. The Constitution was restored at the end of 1929, and an overwhelming Nationalist majority was returned, with Nahas Pasha in control. In June of last year Nahas resigned; the Constitution was suspended again, and Sidky Pasha was appointed by the King to administer Egyptian affairs until he had drawn up a new Constitution, including a new system of franchise. The electoral laws were promulgated in October, and became instantly a target for the Wafdists, who announced their purpose to boycott the imminent elections. Their abstention, of course, would render the elections a farce, since they number in their ranks the great majority of Egyptian citizens.

Hitherto the attitude of the Liberals, under Mahmoud, has not been defined clearly. They are not extremists, but they demand for the people a greater measure of the sweets of democracy than the new Constitution is likely to allow. They love the Wafd no better than they love Sidky Pasha, and a mere understanding linked the two parties of Opposition. Now, however, as a result of the Government's announcement that the general election will take place in May, a pact has been concluded between Wafd and Liberals, and both parties will abstain from the election. It is in connection with this dual alliance that the Beni Suef incident has occurred. Nahas and Madmoud had been invited to that town to preach the doctrine of abstention. If their sole object had been to advise the electorate how to vote, no obstacle would have been put in their way; but they proclaimed beforehand that they intended to counsel a boycott and to intimidate the electors. The Government held that such intimidation not only was unlawful, but conducive to disorder, and treated the ex-Premiers almost precisely as the Government of Northern Ireland treated Mr. de Valera on two familiar occasions.

One may ask with reason: Why does not the Wafd, with its vast electoral superiority to the other parties, consent to enter the new Parliament and to obtain its ends by constitutional means? Even under a revised system of franchise, it would preserve its superiority, and could advance or retard the process of government as it pleased. The answer seems to be that Nahas Pasha desires, by a policy of disorder, to secure the intervention of Britain in Egyptian affairs—in the belief, perhaps, that a Socialist Government at Westminster would inspire King Fuad and his councillors with greater respect for democratic institutions. Such a desire might explain the Wafdist outbreaks of last year, in which foreign interests in Egypt came near to danger. There is also the fact that Nahas Pasha, during his last premiership, tried to arrange terms for a treaty between Great Britain and Egypt. The attempt failed dismally, because Nahas submitted absurd claims in regard to Suez and the Sudan. Apparently, while anxious to arrange a treaty with Britain himself, he does not wish any other Egyptian hand to append the signature; for a clause of the Wafdist-Liberal pact pronounces such a treaty, if made by Sidky Pasha, unacceptable to the combination. It is hard to know what the Wafd really desires. Britain's duty, at all events, is clear. She has no concern with the domestic affairs of Egypt, so long as they do not affect her own interests in that country; but, if such necessity arises, she must threaten, and, if threats do not avail, she must strike.

Road Traffic.

The Automobile Association has performed a most useful service. For the last three months a thousand of its selected scouts, reinforced by another thousand motor police patrols, have been observing the effects of the new Road Traffic Act upon motorists in England, Scotland and Wales. Since the period under review included the Easter holidays, when any vehicle which owns four wheels and is capable of motion is liable to make an asthmatic appearance, the test may be accepted as reasonably comprehensive. The verdict is more than satisfactory. Reports show that in all essentials motorists and pedestrians alike have responded to the Minister for Transport's appeal for safety on highways and byways. Some people had feared that the abolition of the speed limit would inspire the reckless to furious driving; no such abuse of official confidence, however, has been noticed. On the contrary, the standard of courtesy and care is said to have improved out of all knowledge, and it is pleasant to learn that no distinction is drawn between the private owner, his chauffeur and the driver of the commercial lorry. In the past the chief offenders in the matter of courtesy have been private chauffeurs driving alone—who have been apt to regard all other users of the road as a nuisance—and drivers of bulky pantechnicons, who have pursued the even tenour of their way in the middle of the road for miles at a piously moderate speed. Mr. Morrison seems to have achieved a triumphant justification, and we trust that the Free State Government's belated Traffic Bill will not be less successful. In this regard it would be interesting to learn what these same two thousand scouts would say of motorists' demeanour in the Free State if, fresh from their experience in England, they were to watch Irish roads for the next three months. Would they be able to report that, on the whole, drivers showed a proper sense of responsibility and that they were courteous in their passings and overtakings? We confess to grave doubts. The control of road traffic in the Free State is a phrase rather than an actuality, and the blame for this blot on the nation's scutcheon must be divided, like all Gaul, into three parts. In the first place, the Government is guilty for its refusal to create a Ministry for Transport; secondly, the Civic Guards are at fault in their, perhaps, natural disinclination to make full use of the inadequate powers which they possess; but the public is the greatest sinner. No corporate opinion insists that drunkenness in charge of a car and dangerous driving shall be viewed as heinous offences, to be expiated only by severe sentences. An English jury does not differentiate between "drunk" and "drink taken" in a motoring charge; to the Irish jury the two states are poles apart, but both can—and too frequently do—kill Irish citizens.

Rois en Exil.

The *Almanac de Gotha*—like the map of Europe a century ago—was "rolled up" by the Great War; but it came to life in Wednesday's wedding at Palermo. By this magnificent affair democracy is reminded that royalty, or at least ex-royalty, still flourishes, and that the thrones of Europe never will be empty through lack of claimants. The bridegroom was the Comte de Paris, son of the Duc de Guise, pretender to the throne of France; and his bride was Princess Isabel of Orleans-Braganza, daughter of Prince Dom Pedro de Alcantara of Orleans-Braganza, once a pretender to the throne of Brazil. Although the Duc de Guise is forbidden to set foot on the soil of France, royalty, both actual and "ex," flocked to the ceremony, which was staged at a cost of £10,000. Fifty-seven princes and princesses were present. They drew their titles from many countries—from Spain and Italy, where royalty is still valid, and from France, Russia and Greece, whose constitutions, for the time being, have denounced it. The company of royal exiles at Palermo might have been yet larger; for it included no Hohenzollerns, and ex-King Amanullah of Afghanistan—who in normal circumstances might have "dropped in" from Naples—is on pilgrimage at Mecca. We may suppose that the guests not only toasted the happy pair, but discussed their own prospects in a cheerful spirit. The new republics of Europe have not been conspicuously successful. In most of them monarchist parties are large and active; and not a few of the ex-royalties have chances of recall to their former capitals. Greece may change her mind again; Hungary may reward the ex-Empress Zita's proud confidence in her son's fortunes; ex-King Manoel, though Portugal still reject him, may be invited to the throne of an independent Madeira; even the Kremlin may know new Tsars. At any rate, we can be sure that, in its political table-talk, the Band of Hope at Palermo was not gravelled for lack of matter.

Saving Certificates.

We give official details to-day of the second issue of Free State Savings Certificates, as they were announced yesterday by Mr. H. A. Mullett, Secretary of the Central Savings Committee. The new issue contrasts unfavourably with its predecessor. Until February of this year the small investor could purchase for 15s. 6d. a certificate whose value would appreciate in five years to £1, and in ten years to £1 6s. In other words, the first Free State issue compared exactly with the original British War Savings Certificates. These were lavish terms, and they attracted a host of buyers. We believe that they have provided a strong stimulus to the habit of thrift among Irishmen; last year, for example, sales of certificates amounted to nearly £2,000,000. The Free State Government, however, seems to have decided that the terms offered were too lavish, and that sufficient buyers would be attracted by a less favourable return. The new issue, therefore, which will be on sale from Monday next, will be less tempting, though not less secure, than the old. A single certificate, instead of 15s. 6d., will cost 16s.; it will appreciate to £1 at the end of six years, instead of five, and its value after the full period of ten years will amount not to 26s., but to 24s. In other words, interest will accrue at a yearly rate of £4 2s. 9d., in contrast with the former £5 *per cent.* The most conspicuous advantage of the new certificates, as of the old, is that they are not subject to income tax; indeed, so far as income tax is concerned, they simply do not exist, but remain a secret between the holder and the Post Office.

ILLNESS OF THE KING.

PROGRESS "SLOW, BUT SATISFACTORY."

It was officially announced at Windsor Castle early yesterday that the improvement in the King's condition had been maintained.

His Majesty was visited by Lord Dawson of Penn, Sir Milsom Rees, the laryngologist, and Dr. Martyn. He signed a number of official and State documents during the morning and transacted official business in his room.

The Queen in the forenoon took a motor drive, and made several purchases at a picture-dealer's shop in Windsor.

Dr. Martyn saw the King again last evening.

At night it was announced that His Majesty is making "slow, but satisfactory, progress."

Yesterday's reports indicate that the slight improvements reported during the past two days have been maintained. His Majesty's return to normal health must be slow, but his physicians are satisfied with his progress.

"RECOVERY MAY TAKE TIME."

COMMENT OF BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

The *British Medical Journal* makes the following reference to the King's illness: "The attack of sub-acute bronchitis from which the King has been suffering since the close of last week naturally has given rise to concern in the public mind, and medical men who are asked to interpret the reassuring statement that 'His Majesty is making slow, but satisfactory, progress' will do well to underline the word 'slow,' because a bronchitis which has probably involved the tubes within the lung and has occurred at the end of the winter must take time for recovery."

MESSAGE FROM LORD BESSBOROUGH.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

OTTAWA, Thursday.

The Earl of Bessborough, Canada's new Governor-General, to-day received the following cable from His Majesty the King:—

"I sincerely thank you for your telegram, and am delighted to hear of the warm welcome which you and Lady Bessborough have everywhere received. I much appreciate your kind inquiry about my health."

The message was a reply to one from Lord Bessborough, describing the kindly reception which he and Lady Bessborough had received from the Canadian people, and expressing the hope that His Majesty would soon be completely restored to health.

BANK OF IRELAND.

RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB DANCE.

THE first annual dance under the auspices of the members of the Bank of Ireland Football Club was held last night in the Plaza Ballroom, Dublin, and was a marked success. There was a very large attendance, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all. The arrangements for the dance were in the hands of a capable committee, and dancing continued until after 2 a.m.

Some charming frocks were noticed. Mrs. R. McConkey wore a blue brocade coatee over her white georgette frock. Mrs. W. Johnston came in a graceful turquoise blue satin frock. Miss Jones was in a pretty white satin frock, Miss Carroll wore a becoming gown of parchment coloured satin, and Miss Pearl Elliott's scarlet lace frock was worn with a coatee to match.

Pink lace, with a coatee to match, was worn by Miss Hallinan. Mrs. Wills was in black georgette. Mrs. Todd came in a frock of pink satin, and Miss Maguire chose a white georgette dress. Miss Deane's gown was of *écru* lace and blue georgette, and Mrs. Farmer was gowned in wine coloured net. Miss Peggy Dallaghan was in a blue ninon frock, Miss Mita Dallaghan wore blue lace, and Miss McCauley was attired in a black toilette.

A striking white satin gown, with scarlet appliqué trimmings, was worn by Miss Moore. Miss Steevens wore pink taffeta and net. Miss Huet was in a frock of turquoise satin, and Miss Simington was in red satin. Powder blue velvet was chosen by Miss Shea. Mrs. A. D. Conway wore a turquoise coloured gown. Miss Norah Kidd was in a soft white satin frock, and Miss Madge Kidd chose a frock of blue lace. Lime green was worn by Miss Attracta Lynch. Mrs. Eaton was in a pale blue frock. Miss Audrey Moore also was wearing blue, and Miss Hall had a frock of blue taffeta.

Flowered ninon was worn by Miss Graham. Mrs. Malseed's black frock was embroidered with gold. Miss Flynn was in a pretty pale blue satin frock. Mrs. Hill wore a royal blue *ensemble*, and Miss Barrett came in a gown of flowered georgette.

Also present were:—Mr. H. V. Batt, Mr. E. Barton, Mr. B. H. Byrne, Mr. Barlow, Mr. P. J. Boyd, Mr. W. E. Cox, Miss Cost, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Conway, Mr. E. J. Carleton, Mr. D. D. Cassidy, Mr. J. B. Clarke, Mr. Citron, Mr. E. J. Cole, Miss Carroll, Mr. E. A. Doyle, Mr. M. Doyle, Mr. M. P. Davin, Mr. E. J. Dyer, Mr. E. A. Dwyer, Mr. J. L. Deane, Mr. A. C. Dyer, Mr. S. Etherington, Mr. N. Eagar, Miss Fay Erskine, Mr. F. H. Ferris, Mr. Flewitt, Mrs. Finlay, Mr. D. Fisher, Miss Farrell, Mr. D. C. Fitzpatrick, Miss E. Felton, Mr. H. G. Frehill, Mr. G. M. Greene, Mr. Graham, Mr. N. Gilbert, Mr. C. R. Graves, Mr. O. G. Giddings, Mr. W. Griffith, Mr. D. W. Harris, Mr. J. M. Harkness, Mr. W. F. Harkness, Mr. D. W. Harris, Miss Howe, Mr. H. J. Hill, Mr. Hegan, Mr. J. P. Hopkins, Mr. H. G. Hilton, Mr. W. Johnston, Miss Jackson, Mr. B. F. Kenison, Mr. W. Lawless, Mr. J. Lyndon, Mr. F. H. Lane, Miss Lynch, Mr. O. L. Mahony, Mr. J. C. Marriott, Mr. C. McGrath, Mr. H. W. Malseed, Mr. P. Morgan, Mrs. Matthews, Mr. G. McBeth, Miss O'Carroll, Mr. H. A. Pollock, Mr. G. Quaile, Mr. Roche, Mr. J. Ruttledge, Mr. Rudd, Mr. Roycroft, Miss Scully, Mr. Stone, Miss Sinclair, Miss Sykes, Mr. W. J. Tarleton, Mr. M. Trotter, Miss Tymon, Mr. H. L. Wills, Mr. Wiley, Mr. I. Wheeler, Mr. P. Wills, Mr. S. Wilson, Mr. H. Williams, Mr. J. White, Mr. J. E. Yeates, Mr. Birmingham.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

Although the King's convalescence may be slow, his doctors appear to be quite satisfied with his progress. The arrival of Princess Mary, with the Earl of Harewood and their sons, at Windsor Castle, has given much pleasure to the Queen.

The Prince of Wales played golf on Wednesday in Rio de Janeiro, with several of the Argentine professionals, who will shortly start for England to take part in the Open Golf Championship. His Royal Highness received the representatives of the home and foreign Press, and addressed them in English, French, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese.

The King and Queen of the Belgians have a family party at the Château de Lacken, near Brussels, where King Albert celebrated his fifty-sixth birthday on Wednesday. There was a review of the troops from Ghent and Mons in the morning, and the Duc de Brabant attended the dinner given at Prince Albert Barracks to the officers of the Grenadiers.

The Marquess and Marchioness of Londonderry are lending Londonderry House for the bridge tournament which Mrs. Headlaw is arranging for May 6th, to assist young people in the distressed areas to obtain work. Princess Mary has promised to present the prizes.

The Marquess of Hamilton has returned from Chippenham to London, where the Marchioness of Hamilton will join him shortly. The Marchioness of Huntly will arrive in London to-day from the Continent. The Marquess and Marchioness of Ormonde will return to Gennings, Maidstone, tomorrow from Cornwall, where they spent Easter. General Sir Fabian Ware, who has been visiting the war cemeteries in Syria, Iraq, Palestine, Egypt and Northern Italy, has returned to London.

Geraldine Countess of Mayo has left London, and will spend some weeks in the country. Countess Fitzwilliam returned to England yesterday from Rio de Janeiro. Lady Ada Boyd has returned to London from Sicily. Lord Brabourne arrived at Southampton yesterday from Lisbon in the s.s. Alcantara, by which Sir William Morris returned from Buenos Aires. Lady Wrenbury has returned from a tour in Egypt and Palestine. The Hon. Mrs. Arthur Somerset is on her way back from Tangier, and will reach London next Sunday.

Mrs. Horsbrugh-Porter, the wife of Mr. W. E. Horsbrugh-Porter, and youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Maude, of Belgard Castle, Co. Dublin, gave birth to a daughter on Wednesday, 8th inst.

A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between F. E. B. de Uphaugh, second son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. de Uphaugh, of Hollingbourne House, Maidstone, Kent, and Joan Le Fanu, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Watkins, Boyne View, Navan.

The marriage arranged between Dr. Brian Pringle and Miss Inez Hope Travers will take place at Holy Trinity, Brompton, London, on April 28th.

Dr. Harvey has returned to 12 Fitzwilliam square.

Miss Sullivan, C.S.M.M.G., has returned to 20 Lower Leeson street.

The Juveniles' Department is now a very busy corner at Switzers with the new term so close at hand. Here mothers can choose everything in the nature of School Wear for their girls—Frocks, Coats, Hats, Blazers, Gym. Frocks, Underwear, Pyjamas, etc., in smart, practical styles and at most attractive prices.

At Holmes'—Extensive deliveries of New Hosiery, Gloves and Neckwear.—W. Holmes and Co., George's street.

Grass green shantung with blouse of ivory broderie anglaise is featured in an attractive twopiece at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals—N. R. Harpur, E. T. Gibson, Mrs. B. Gillespie, Mrs. P. Harkin, Miss Cecilia Harley, Mr. and Mrs. Keogh, Dr. and Mrs. Murphy, Miss E. Gibson, Mrs. P. Rennison, Miss M. Rennison, Miss E. Boyce, Miss F. Hewson, Mrs. A. H. Dudley, F. Gallina, G. B. Cuoghi, B. M. Sullivan, Miss Shirley, Miss L. Evans, Mrs M. Duffy, Miss R. Sefton, Miss E. Raymond, C. Kerr, Dr. and Mrs. Curren, E. J. Mullin, Mr. Quinlan, T. R. Weir, Mr. and Mrs. F. Roberts, Mrs. Chamberton, Miss Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Jones, Wm. C. Taylor, the Rev. W. C. Hodgins, Miss J. Stacpoole, A. P. Phillips, Dr. Speedy Bertin, Mrs. M. Brown, Miss N. Roberts, Miss G. Taylor.

Departures—Dr. H. L. O'Connor, Miss Ruby Coombs, Mrs. B. Gubbins, B. Adler, Miss J. F. Harvey, Mrs. A. Devlin, Dr. John E. Hill, Captain Charles Kilty, M.C.; P. Sunderland, E. Thompson, Gerald V. Murphy, Mrs. E. M. Richards, B. M. Tennyson, Miss L. Peebles, the Rev. S. R. Miller, Miss J. Watkins, G. Patterson, Miss C. Clery, Miss Reilly, Miss D. Cusack, Mrs. W. Hyde, J. H. Saville, A. P. Hart, W. P. Winder, Mr. and Mrs. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. E. Coghlan, T. K. Hearne, Miss Dowzer, Miss B. Inch, H. A. Allen, Captain T. F. Neary, Miss Jones, Miss Owen.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

Arrivals—Lady Blunden, Mr. T. Glen, Mr. R. Boothman, Mr. S. Preston, Mr. James Stubbs, Mr. A. Kirk Brown, Mr. G. Morgan, Mr. W. R. C. Halpin, Captain Crawford, Mr. H. W. Gumbley, Mr. H. E. Bingham, Mr. T. Lucius, Mr. T. Bolton, Mr. E. Finsley, Mr. G. Bell, Miss L. Findlater, Mr. H. F. Cotton, Mr. E. B. Keating, Major R. Dugmore, Mrs. Jameson, Miss Ball, Mr. T. Patton, Mr. C. J. Pollard, Miss G. Ives, Miss Reed, Miss Findlater, Miss Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin, Miss Spottiswode, Miss Askins, Nurse Dempsey, Mr. D. Harte, Mr. P. Rees, Colonel H. A. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Quinlan, Mr. and Mrs. E. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Minton, Miss Brady, Mr. T. Birmingham, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Mr. T. Shane.

Departures—Mr. T. Caplin, Mr. J. Southgate, Major R. Smythe, Mr. D. Barlow, Mr. T. Yielding, Mr. L. R. Bate, Mrs. Chadwick, Captain Wardell, Dr. E. Kilkelly, Miss Pickering, Miss Beckett, Mrs. Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Carty, Mr. T. Hughes, Mr. V. Booth, Mr. H. T. Wainman, Mr. R. C. Lyons, Miss F. Matthews, Miss Neil, Mr. R. J. Robinson, Mr. T. B. McAuley, Mrs. Lynch, Miss McCarthy, Mr. T. Radcliffe, Miss Phelan, Mrs. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Flynn, Miss E. Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Wellesley Smith, Mr. T. Horan, Mrs. Preston, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick.

Smart Hats for Spring. Further new delivery.—Marleen, 31 South Anne street.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—Barometric pressure is comparatively uniform over the British Isles and is rising. There are indications of a depression developing in mid-Atlantic. Weather will be mainly fair in most districts, but, perhaps, rather unsettled later in the North-West.

North-West Ireland.—Wind south-westerly, moderate, freshening; cloudy; probably some rain later; rather mild.

North-East, South-East and South-West Ireland.—Wind variable, freshening later from between south and west; fair; local fog early; mild.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind variable or between south and west, light or moderate; fair; local morning mist or fog; sea slight.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Thermometers, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT.

April	Bar.	Thermometer. Temp. 9 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Grass Min.	Wind.	Rain. m.m.	Sun hours
3	30.023	43.6	47	35	29	N.W.	0.0	4.2
4	29.872	43.8	56	39	30	W.	2.7	4.9
5	29.700	49.3	50	41	40	N.W.	5.4	0.0
6	29.770	46.1	49	44	44	E.	5.3	0.0
7	29.702	48.1	56	40	32	E.	0.0	2.6
8	29.840	53.1	59	48	44	S.W.	0.0	2.4
9	30.182	47.3	58	47	45	E.	0.0	3.9

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	5.40	5.37
Sets	7.14	7.16
Lighting-up Time	8.14	8.16
High Water—Dublin.		
Morning	5. 3	6.21
Evening	5.50	7. 8

BIRTH.

DOCKRELL—April 8, 1931, at 89 Lower Baggot street, to Frances Elizabeth, wife of Kenneth B. Dockrell, K.C., a daughter.

LONDON LETTER.

THE DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,

THURSDAY NIGHT.

Doubts are expressed in diplomatic circles whether the forthcoming Disarmament Conference will be held at a time when much progress will be possible. For the present, at least, the subject mainly is a matter of statistics, and no agreement appears to have been reached with regard to the form in which the details concerning armaments will be shown. Correspondence has been passing between the League Secretariat and the German Government regarding the effective military strength of the country, and the German reply was to the effect that, if the details are to be serviceable, similar particulars ought to be supplied by all countries, to enable a fair comparison to be made.

Syria.

The rumour from Jerusalem of the appointment of the ex-King Ali as ruler over Syria is interesting, since it is believed that the Syrian people always have been in favour of the Shereefian family. Ali, who was King of the Hedjaz until that country was conquered by Ibn Saud in 1925, has been residing for some time in Baghdad with his younger brother, King Feisal. Some months ago, however, he visited Syria where he was the guest of the French High Commissioner. It was believed at the time that he might be made ruler of that French mandated territory, which hitherto has been under a High Commissioner and a local Government. If the news is confirmed, the three sons of the ex-Shereef of Mecca, King Hussein—who is staying now with his son, Abdullah, ruler of Transjordan—will be rulers of three important contiguous countries—two under British, and one under French, mandate.

Irish Sweepstakes and France.

A curious point has been brought to the notice of the French authorities in connection with the circulation of tickets for the Dublin hospitals sweepstakes in France. It is stated that the practice has grown up of using these tickets as currency for the settlement of small, and even of comparatively large, accounts. French firms and individuals to whom amounts are due by Irish firms or private individuals are asked to remit the debt in sweepstake tickets rather than cheques or money orders. One case is cited of a French firm to which a bill for approximately one hundred pounds was due. The firm demanded that, instead of the usual draft, the debtor should remit twenty books of tickets in the sweepstake. As there is an allowance of two free tickets in every book, persons taking payment in this way stand to make an addition of twenty *per cent.* profit on the original business with Dublin, because no difficulty is experienced in disposing of the tickets in France. Wine dealers having direct relations with Irish firms are accused of obtaining this form of payment, and then disposing of the tickets in the cafés which they control throughout France. The Government is being urged to take measures against this ingenious scheme, because of its effect on receipts from stamp duty on cheques cleared in French banks or on foreign money order business.

At Westminster Cathedral.

At the Requiem Mass for the late Mr. T. M. Healy in Westminster Cathedral on April 16th seating accommodation will be reserved for relations and friends, and a special entrance will be provided in Ambrosden avenue. For this accommodation cards will be needed. They will be supplied on application to the office of the High Commission, Piccadilly House.

Irish Painters.

An interesting collection of paintings will be exhibited next week in the gallery room of the Irish Club, lent by Captain O'Reilly for the purpose. The pictures are the work of young Irish painters, and Mr. John Flannigan is associated with Captain O'Reilly in the exhibition. The room in which the pictures will be placed is adorned with a series of portraits of the signatories to the Irish Treaty.

Tickets en Masse.

Nothing succeeds like success, as it is said, and one of the greatest financial deals recorded in theatre tickets followed to-day upon an enthusiastic reception of "The White Horse Inn" at the Coliseum last night. The cheering at the close of the performance lasted for nearly a quarter of an hour, during which time everybody concerned was called before the curtain for an ovation. The theatre agencies to-day notified the management that they would purchase sixty thousand pounds' worth of seats, and the transaction will operate from Monday next, and will extend over twelve weeks. The sum mentioned is ten thousand pounds above the cost of the production, so that Sir Oswald Stoll is assured of a financial, as well as an artistic, success. At the theatre this morning a queue began to form at eleven o'clock for this afternoon's performance, and at three o'clock another queue had begun for the evening display.

Crime in London.

The increase of thefts and outrages by men who drive motor cars is being watched carefully by Scotland Yard; for a significant development is the increasing use of revolvers. This causes no small alarm to the public, but the police officials discount any idea that London is likely to enter into competition with Chicago or any "Wild West" city. They are of the opinion that the increase in crimes of such a character is due to the copying instinct of the criminals; for they are an unimaginative class, and a successful raid quickly incites others to follow a deplorable example. The police are keeping a careful eye on the situation, but are not inclined to believe that the crimes are the work of an organised gang.

Taxation of Tea.

In Mincing Lane an opinion that the Chancellor of the Exchequer will impose a duty of fourpence a pound on tea continues to grow, and brokers are engaged busily in the clearing of tea from the former bonded warehouses into their own stores as a measure of precaution. The duty stood at fourpence a pound, when it was abolished by Mr. Churchill in 1929. The producers of Empire tea hope to secure the advantages of preference if the duty is re-imposed, and in the industry's present condition the wider margin of preference allowed the better. In regard to the interest of the consumer, it is said that there is such a glut of stocks that there is no reason why the retail price should be increased. This may be taken, however, as the mere expression of a pious opinion.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Father Mathew Feis — The Hall, Church street.

AMUSEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"The Man Who Changed His Name."
Olympia Theatre—"Irish Smiles of 1931."
Abbey Theatre—"Let the Credit Go."
Gate Theatre—"Dublin Revue."
Metropole Cinema—"Charley's Aunt."
Theatre Royal—"The Man from Chicago."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire — "The Sleeping Cardinal."
Capitol Cinema—"The Devil's Holiday."
Grafton Cinema—"Free and Easy."
Savoy Cinema—"The Singer of Seville."
Corinthian Cinema—"The Big Fight" and "The Call of the West."
Carlton Cinema—"Plunder."
Silver Slipper Dance Club—Gala Meeting.

"CLEAN-UP" OF CHICAGO BEGINS.

SPEEDY INSTALLATION OF THE NEW MAYOR.

FIRST MOVE IN THE ECONOMY CAMPAIGN.

THOUSANDS OF TEMPORARY WORKERS DISMISSED.

WITHIN forty hours of his election as Mayor of Chicago, Mr. Anton Cermak, who defeated "Big Bill" Thompson, was sworn in yesterday, after a special meeting of the City Council, the ceremony having been "speeded up" as much as possible.

At the same time another Czech from the new Mayor's "home town" of Prague was appointed Commissioner of Public Works, and signified his entry upon his official duties by dismissing thousands of temporary workers at the City Hall.

This step was in consonance with Mayor Cermak's declaration that he was going to make a clean sweep of "the bums and hoodlums who hang around the City Hall corridors and make it look like a cheap lodging-house on a Saturday night."

The Mayor declared that the people's vote and the police department would drive out the gangsters. He laughs at the suggestion that "Big Bill" was really anti-British, and says that Washington will take care of foreign relations, so far as he is concerned.

REFORM STARTS AT CITY HALL

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

MR. ANTON CERMAK is clearly resolved to lose no time in the application of the cleansing broom to Chicago's Augean stables.

He was sworn in as Mayor after a special meeting of the City Council, and the ceremony was rushed through with unprecedented speed. Every short-cut was taken in order that the new Mayor might start on his promised work of reorganisation of the municipal government as quickly as possible.

Thousands who desired to witness the ceremony were disappointed. Mr. Cermak slipped quietly into the county court-room, which was filled with Pressmen, and took the oath. When he emerged shortly afterwards vociferous throngs escorted him to the Mayor's office.

Mr. Colaasz, who was a civic leader in Prague, has been appointed Commissioner of Public Works. He immediately ordered the discharge of thousands of temporary workers at the City Hall Department as a first step in the campaign of economy.

CABLE INTERCEPTED.

There was an echo of the campaign to-day, when a warrant was obtained by the Western Union Cable Company against a woman clerk and her husband, charging them with intercepting a cable sent by Mr. Cermak and handing it over to "Big Bill" Thompson.

The cable was addressed to a Mr. Tyerson at the Travellers' Bank in Paris, and said:—"May we ask for subscriptions for Cermak's campaign against Thompson? Cermak will be elected if we get sufficient money. (Signed)—Porter."

"Big Bill" quoted this cable in speeches which he made charging Mr. Cermak with being allied with international bankers' interests "for the overthrow of the champion of true Americanism."

When in office Mr. Cermak will have a working majority on the Council, since thirty of the city's fifty aldermen are Democrats, while only nine of the twenty Republicans can be classed as "Big Bill's" allies.

In the course of a statement to the Press the new Mayor said:—"The bums and hoodlums who hang around the City Hall corridors and make it look like a cheap lodging-house on a Saturday night are going to be swept clean out. I have promised to do it, and I am going to do it."

In response to repeated trans-Atlantic telephone calls from London requesting interviews, Mr. Cermak at last picked up the receiver and replied to volleys of questions as to what he was going to do with Capone and gangsters in general. He was also asked his opinion about Mr. Thompson's remarks about King George.

With reference to "Al" Capone, he said:—"Alfonso is out of town, and had better stay out for the next four years. I suggest he remain in Florida. The people's vote and my police department will drive out the gangsters. I think that with good police we will put Chicago on a law-and-order basis in less than two months."

"BIG BILL" AND THE KING.

The listeners in London heard him laugh when they referred to "Big Bill's" tirades against King George.

"Thompson didn't really fool you fellows, did he?" queried the new Mayor. "He isn't really anti-British. Anyway, we have the Washington people, who are capable of handling our international problems."

In the natural welter of gossip about the new Mayor, one story stands out particularly—that is, that when he was standing as United States Senator from Illinois against Mr. Otis Glenn, Mr. Cermak distributed bottle-openers with "Vote for Cermak" stamped thereon instead of the ordinary political cards usually distributed. Some wiseacres see in this a sign that the new Mayor is sympathetic to a "wet" *régime*, and wonder how this trait can be reconciled with his evident desire to stamp out gang activities which are ninety per cent. a product of the liquor trade.

Meanwhile "Big Bill," dejected now that his long reign is over at last, has been preparing for a tour of the inland rivers with a party of friends. The ex-Mayor will start to-day. He declares that the trip is in the interests of one of his favourite projects—inland waterways.

URGENT EUROPEAN PROBLEMS.

CONFERENCE OF FRENCH MINISTERS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Thursday.

M. Laval, Prime Minister, and M. Briand, Foreign Minister, had an important consultation yesterday, according to the *Echo de Paris*, in which they discussed the current diplomatic situation, including the naval negotiations, the project for an Anglo-German meeting at Chequers, and the attitude to be taken up by the French delegation at the forthcoming debates at Geneva on the Customs Union.

The *Journal* credits M. Briand with being responsible for an economic plan which would counter the proposed Austro-German Customs Union, or, at least, limit its consequences. To this end conversations between the Ministers for Foreign Affairs, Agriculture, Commerce and Finance will go on for the rest of the week. The main point to be discussed will be whether France can give a preferential tariff to the agricultural countries of Central and Eastern Europe. It is said that the Government's future policy in this respect will be announced early next week.

M. Briand this afternoon received Lord Tyrrell, British Ambassador.

UNITED STATES SPEAKER DEAD.

VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Mr. Nicholas Longworth, Speaker of the House of Representatives, passed away to-day. Mr. Longworth had been lying seriously ill with pneumonia at Aiken, South Carolina, for the past two or three days.

Mr. Longworth, who was sixty-one years of age, married the late President Roosevelt's daughter Alice at White House in 1906. With a two-year interruption only he has been a member of Congress since 1903. He was the Republican leader in the House of Representatives from 1923 to 1925, and has been Speaker for the past six years. Mr. Longworth is survived by his widow and one daughter, Paulina.

Mrs. Alice Longworth's name has in the last twelve months figured prominently in the American papers in connection with the reputed rivalry for precedence between the Speaker's wife and Mrs. Dolly Gann, sister of the Vice-President, Mr. Curtis.

The social antagonism, with the incidents to which it gave rise, were brought to a happy end at a festive gathering at the Women's Press Club in the capital early in February last, when both ladies sat at the same table, and there was a mock ceremony of burying the hatchet to appropriate dirge-like music.

VICAR CONDEMNS PROHIBITION.

U.S. WORLD "RECORD" IN DIVORCES.

The Rev. T. H. Tardrew, Vicar of St. John's, Newington, Hull, speaking at the annual dinner of the Hull branch of the Fellowship of Freedom and Reform last night, said: "You will best develop a man's character by trusting him and giving him freedom. You will not develop a man's character by inhibiting him at every turn and chaining him up. You will not develop a man's character by treating him in a way you would not treat a dog."

They had only to look across the Atlantic, he said, to see the state of affairs at which the United States had arrived as the result of repressive legislation in the matter of the drink traffic. It was surely more than a coincidence that the country which had the highest divorce statistics in the world should be a "dry" country, and that the country whose laws prohibited any sort of indulgence, moderate or otherwise, in alcoholic liquor produced gangsters, gun-running and the general amenities of Chicago.

The Fellowship, he concluded, stood first of all for liberty. They did not advocate drunkenness; they advocated legitimate freedom—not a freedom to make a nuisance of themselves, and not a freedom for every indulgence or beastliness, but freedom to work out their careers.

JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATION PERFORMED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TOKYO, Thursday.

The condition of the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr. Hamaguchi having grown worse, another operation was carried out on him at 11.10 p.m. last night. It is understood that the operation was satisfactory, and that his condition is not now serious

Mr. Hamaguchi has never really recovered from the injuries he sustained last November when an attempt was made on his life at Tokyo Railway Station while he was waiting to entrain for the annual manœuvres.

FRENCH PRESIDENT AT NICE.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

NICE, Thursday.

M. Doumergue, President of the Republic, arrived at Nice this morning on his way to Tunis. Shortly before noon the President received the Duke of Connaught at the Prefecture. M. Doumergue met the Duke at the top of the grand staircase, while a military band played "God Save the King." The Duke of Connaught and the President enjoyed several minutes of very cordial conversation.

THE REVOLT IN MADEIRA.

PORTS CLOSED BY DECREE.

TWO FORMER MINISTERS ARRESTED.

REUTER'S Agency learns that a decree was issued yesterday in the *Diaro do Governo* (Official Gazette) in Lisbon, stating that from that date Madeira ports would be closed to all commerce and navigation, and that all communication with the exterior by their inhabitants is prohibited, except in cases of necessity recognised by the Government's special delegate in regard to ships entering or leaving the harbour for the evacuation of foreign subjects.

The same decree orders the immediate trial by a tribunal on board one of the Portuguese ships used in the military operations of all infringements of this clause, and special penalties for the commerce of arms and ammunition.

REVOLT FEARED IN PORTUGAL.

MANY ARRESTS AMONG THE TROOPS.

The Lisbon Correspondent of the *Morning Post*, telegraphing yesterday says:—Elements leading the revolts in Funchal are working in agreement with others in Portugal. Extraordinary precautions are being taken in various parts of Portugal, and several garrisons are being strengthened. A hurried movement of troops has been observed at various points.

It is feared in Government circles that a similar revolutionary movement against the Government of President Carmona will be attempted in sympathy with Funchal. Many military have been arrested and imprisoned who are thought to be connected with the plot.

Many alarming rumours are circulating in Lisbon to-day, and an atmosphere of disquiet is noticeable. The Government is abstaining for the moment from giving further news with regard to the operations which it intends to carry out.

MARTIAL LAW PROBABLE.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

LISBON, Thursday.

The steamer Pedro Gomez and the cruiser Carvalho Araujo, which are taking a punitive force to suppress the revolutionary junta in Madeira, left last night for Funchal.

The steamer Cubango was coaling all yesterday, and this morning took seaplanes on board. She and the gunboat Zaire left this evening.

Some important arrests have been made this morning, including those of two former Ministers, Senhor Brico Camacho and Senhor Nuno Simoes. The telegraph and post offices are guarded by military.

Many rumours are circulating, and it is said that martial law may be proclaimed to-night.

It is also said that the garrisons of Ponta Delgada and Horta, in the Azores, have revolted.

BRITISH VISITORS AT MADEIRA.

The Union Castle liner, Edinburgh Castle, called at Madeira yesterday as usual. No news has been received at the London office of any interference with the vessel or her boats, says the *Daily Telegraph*. The ship, which is homeward bound from the Cape, is due at Southampton early on Monday morning. The cruiser H.M.S. London arrived off the island on Wednesday, having been sent to protect the interests of the 200 British residents and the scores of British holiday-makers. In the midst of the present excitements are the Earl and Countess of Plymouth, Lord and Lady Ullswater, Mr. Freke Palmer, and Colonel Forbes Buchan, to mention one or two of the better-known names. Indeed, the number of visitors at present is exceptionally large, due partly to the presence of a party of Freemasons, headed by Sir Volville Smith, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge, which went out to attend the opening of a new Masonic temple at Funchal.

AUSTRALIA'S NEED FOR ECONOMY.

MR. LYONS'S PROPOSALS FOR ECONOMY.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Real honest economy was the only remedy for the shrinkage in the national income, declared Mr. Lyons, former Federal Treasurer, in a speech at the opening here of the Inter-State Conference of Citizens' Movements.

Mr. Lyons said that the basic principles of his policy were balancing the Budget and the restoration of sound and sane government. He proposed the appointment of an expert committee of economists and business men to investigate the periods over which the Budget could be progressively balanced according to the community's capacity.

It was essential, he said, to guarantee no interference with the currency or with the management of the banks, and also no repudiation. Government expenditure should be reduced commensurately with the reduction in the national income. He advocated a review of pensions payment, and suggested a contributory scheme. Australia could not afford the existing interest rates. The proper method of reducing them was by a conversion loan to a lower rate. He believed that Australian bondholders would respond to a patriotic appeal. The issue of fiduciary currency was a false remedy.

EFFORT TO CHECK BRIGANDS.

AIR FORCE ASSISTS ARMY AND POLICE.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

BAGDAD, Thursday.

Operations are now in progress in Kurdistan, in which the Royal Air Force is co-operating with the Iraq army and police in an effort to check the activities of the Kurdish outlaw, Sheigh Mahmud, who, in defiance of the undertaking he gave three years' ago, entered Iraq from Persia last September with a band of brigands.

Mahmud has been attacking isolated Iraq police posts and attempting to incite the Kurdish tribes to join him in a rebellion against the Iraq Government by representing himself as the champion of Kurdish nationalism. So far he has had little success. Few Kurds desire to change their present lot for subjection to Mahmud, but naturally the tribes are closely watching events. Many would, doubtless, be tempted to join Mahmud should he score a victory over the Government's forces. Fortunately that has so far been prevented.

THE PRINCE AND THE FAIREY.

JOIN IN AERIAL ESCORT.

H.M.S. EAGLE AT RIO DE JANEIRO.

FROM THE PRESS ASSOCIATION'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Thursday.

THE Prince of Wales took part this morning in an aerial escort for the entry of His Majesty's aircraft carrier Eagle into Rio de Janeiro. Thousands of holiday-makers watched the spectacle.

Ascending from the Brazilian naval landing ground on Governor's Island, in one of a flight of four Faireys from H.M.S. Eagle, the Prince of Wales flew out to sea, and landed on the great deck of the aircraft-carrier as she was steaming towards the harbour, escorted by the cruiser Danae and the destroyer Achates.

The Prince ascended the bridge of the Eagle and watched, as an interested spectator, the direction of operations.

Eighteen aeroplanes took off one after another. Then the Prince climbed into a machine, hopped off, and joined in the manœuvres over the harbour and the city. Once the Royal machine, with its red, white and blue marks, thrilled the bathers on Capa Cabana Beach by roaring past them, just above their heads, and almost touching the surf.

As the Prince's aeroplane flashed by the windows of the big hotel, where he has been staying, he waved his hand from the cockpit. Then the Fairey flew high over the city, of which the Prince had a superb view.

The Prince of Wales's own little Puss Moth added colour to the thrills of the display. The Prince's pilot, Mr. Fielden, with Prince George as passenger, skimmed past crowded beaches and attracted widespread attention.

Numerous Brazilian aeroplanes also met the British Squadron, which moored in the harbour, amid salutes from sea and land.

THE HOMEWARD JOURNEY.

The Prince of Wales plans to cover the last stage of his long journey by air. He intends to fly home from Lisbon, with a halt at Madrid, and for this reason is taking his Puss Moth 'plane with him in the Arlanza.

Last night Their Royal Highnesses attended a party given by Sir Henry Lynch, a prominent British citizen and former President of the Brazilian Chamber of Commerce, in the illuminated tropical garden of his Rio home. There were over a thousand guests, including all the leading members of British and Brazilian society.

To the queer rhythmic music of a Brazilian native band, who were attired in big straw sombreros, red neckerchiefs, white shirts and black trousers, the Princes danced the maixixe, a spirited dance, which, under the better known spelling of machiche, had a brief but intensive vogue in Europe before the War.

An orchestra of pretty girls, singing native songs to the accompaniment of guitars, was another feature of one of the most delightful entertainments of the tour.

SWEEPSTAKE ACTION.

SEQUEL TO OPENING OF LETTER IN POST.

The Chertsey Bench yesterday granted to Superintendent Gray a summons against a Weybridge resident under the Lottery Act of 1823, the Chairman remarking to the Superintendent: "We will grant your summons, but we do not say it will be successful."

Superintendent Gray said that the man sent a registered letter containing a money order to Dublin. The letter was opened by the postal officials, who forwarded it to the Home Secretary. It contained a pound for tickets in the sweepstake, and the man, when seen by an inspector, admitted having sold a ticket to a friend.

The Chairman—That is against the Lottery Act?

Superintendent Gray—Yes.

THE SCALA CASE.

Mr. W. P. Corrigan, of the firm of Messrs. Corrigan and Corrigan, the Dublin solicitors acting for the plaintiffs, Antonio Epicella and Matteo Constantino, in the case against Emilio Scala, the winner of the first prize in the Grand National sweepstake, left for London on Wednesday night. The purpose of the visit, it is understood, is to confer with the plaintiffs and their London solicitor, Mr. Salvatore Fraulo, of Warner street, Clerkenwell.

Mr. Scala was engaged yesterday morning in another conference with his solicitors, but in the afternoon he left the city for a sight-seeing tour. It is likely that he will remain in Dublin until the case against him comes up in the High Court.

"INSIDIOUS SPREAD OF GAMBLING."

The annual conference of the Good Templars' Grand Lodge was continued at Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, yesterday, when the officers elected on Wednesday were installed. Mr. J. Rewcastel Woods, speaking from the chair, referred to "the insidious spread of gambling as fostered by the large sweepstakes in aid of charity, which have so recently obsessed public attention." "To combat this new phase of attack," he said, "they had to be up-to-date fighters and, at the same time, thinkers and students."

It was decided to hold the Grand Lodge next Easter at Leicester, and to celebrate the sixty-third anniversary of the Order at Preston, Lancs, in September.

THE SPANISH ELECTIONS.

POSTER ATTACK ON KING ALFONSO.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MADRID, Thursday.

Excitement is growing with the approach of Sunday, when the first elections for eight years take place. One feature of the campaign is the attacks being made on the King by the parties of the Left, and bills are being posted all over Madrid inviting people to vote for the "Gutierrez" Party, Gutierrez being the name frequently used to designate King Alfonso.

In satirical language, typical of Spanish electoral campaigns, the literature of the Gutierrez Party consists largely of offensive quips at the expense of the King. *El Socialista*, the organ of the Socialist Party, which is one of the big forces in the coming municipal elections, comes out this evening with "*bon voyage*" for headline, pretending that the Royal Family is leaving soon for England, and expressing its relief at the news because "this will avoid unpleasant incidents such as occurred in the case of Esar Nicholas and his family."

ILLNESS OF THE MARQUESS OF DUFFERIN.

The Marquess of Dufferin and Ava is ill with paratyphoid at his house in Hans Crescent, London. The illness developed after he returned from a tour abroad.

The Marquess succeeded to the title on the death of his father in July in the Meopham air accident.

Lord Dufferin's condition last night was described as "slightly improved."

GANDHI AND THE ROUND TABLE.

APPEAL FOR FULL SUPPORT.

THE BEST WAY TO ENSURE PEACE.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

AHMEDABAD, Thursday.

AN appeal for the wholehearted backing of his countrymen during the resumed Round Table Conference is made by Gandhi in a signed article to-day in his newspaper, *Young India*, in which he comments on his appointment as sole Congress delegate to the Conference.

"It is the implicit belief of Congressmen," he says, "that in the end it will not be the work of the Conference that will bring *Swaraj* (self government). It can only be the work of India that can do that. It is not the ability of the delegation that will tell at the Conference, but the power behind it.

"Whether the end of the Conference is to be peace or war, every available hand is needed in the country. We want all our men and women in the country to avoid war; for the best way to ensure peace is to push up a constructive programme and implement the conditions of the provisional settlement."

HIS APPOINTMENT.

Explaining his appointment by Congress as its sole delegate, he says:—"The choice lay between the appointment of the whole Working Committee or only one member of it holding its power of attorney. The latter arrangement was felt to be easily the most efficacious and economical way; for not only could money be saved, but also energy."

"This appointment," he says, "enhances my responsibility a thousandfold, but my task becomes light with the thought that I have to carry out the instructions of my principals. For the rest, I have to seek God's infallible guidance and 'be careful for nothing.' And then, who knows, if and when the time comes, the way will be open for me to attend the Conference."

CONFINED TO HIS HOUSE.

MR. GANDHI DEVELOPS A TEMPERATURE.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

AMRITSAR, Thursday.

Mr. Gandhi has developed a temperature and did not leave his residence here to-day to receive an address from the local Congress organisation.

These bodies sent their representatives to the Mahatma's house, and Mr. Gandhi made a brief speech in reply to the presentation.

REBELS AMBUSHED BY POLICE.

ELEVEN FATALLY WOUNDED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

THARRAWADDY (BURMA), Thursday.

Eleven Burmese rebels were fatally wounded to-day in an encounter with the police. They included one of the rebel leaders, for whose arrest a reward had been offered.

The rebels had left their camp and gone to a neighbouring village, where they looted some guns from the Headman's house while he was absent. News of the raid reached the police, who cleverly ambushed the band as they were making their way back, with the result that eleven rebels were fatally wounded. Eight of the looted guns were recovered.

This is a satisfactory set-off to the incident on Monday, when four policemen attacked a rebel camp, but were hopelessly outnumbered, and one police sepoy was killed, two others were wounded and the fourth was reported missing.

LATE NEWS.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH "THE TIMES."

THE SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

NEW COURSE TO BE FLOWN.

The Aeronautical Correspondent of *The Times* to-day writes:—The course over which the Schneider Trophy Race will be flown on September 12th has now been determined. As has already been indicated, it has been moved a little eastwards of the course of 1929, so as to leave the Solent Channel open to Southampton shipping, and, in order that it may fit its new situation, it is to be triangular instead of four-sided, as it was for the last race. It will still, however, be of about the same length.

Ryde pier will again be the starting and finishing point, and a turn will be made just east of Sea View, towards the coast of the mainland near Wittering, slightly east of Chichester Harbour. There the course turns sharply to the west, and a long, straight stretch past Hayling Island, Southsea, Gilkicker Point and Stokes Bay will be flown to the next turn off the Isle of Wight at a point to the north-east of East Cowes. The lengths of the various legs are, roughly—East Cowes to Sea View turn, 7¾ miles; Sea View to Wittering turn, 8¼ miles; Wittering to East Cowes turn, 14¼ miles.

HIGH SPEED.

The new course offers a fine opportunity for high speed along that stage which runs parallel with the coast of the mainland, but this will be set off by the very sharp turn at the eastern extremity. In the last race there was a similarly acute angle off Cowes, and a less difficult one at the Nab lightship.

With fewer and sharper turns, cornering will be of very great importance in this year's race, and the control of the seaplanes in the air will have a still greater significance than in past races.

SWEEPSTAKES AND THE LAW.

The *Daily Telegraph* says:—The application which was made yesterday for a summons against a man who is said to have bought a ticket in the Irish sweepstake will cause some surprise. If this goes on, who shall escape? The opening of letters by the post office was an invasion of privacy, and, though legal enough, scarcely popular. It is unthinkable that the Home Office should propose to push it to the logical conclusion which this action represents. But what the motives of the action are is a mystery.

125 FISHERMEN DROWNED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

TOKYO, Friday.

No fewer than 125 fishermen have been drowned off the south-west coast of Korea in a night storm, which capsized over a hundred fishing vessels.

NEW FREE STATE SAVING CERTIFICATES.

EXPLANATION OF THE TERMS OF ISSUE.

NO LIABILITY FOR INCOME TAX.

MR. H. A. MULLETT, Secretary of the Central Savings Committee, speaking at a public meeting in Cork yesterday, announced the terms and conditions of the new issue of Savings Certificates which will be on sale at all post offices on Monday next. The gross sales of the old Savings Certificates during the period of seven years and eight months were £8,003,782, which represented 10,327,461 certificates. The amount of principal repaid was £1,662,659 and the interest £197,784. The net amount of £6,341,123 remains due to the investors. The annual investments started in 1924 with £943,812, and in 1931 amounted to £1,930,897.

The Committee, while appreciating the financial value of the movement, were more concerned with its educational and social aspects. A chain of county and local savings committees representative of all classes, and irrespective of creed and politics was at work helping the movement. Altogether 75 such committees are now in existence.

Mr. Mullett announced that a National Thrift Congress would be held in Dublin in June next, and in a discussion which followed the opinion was expressed that the Finance Minister went too far with the economy hatchet.

COUNTRY'S BEST INVESTMENT.

Each Certificate, Mr. Mullett said, would cost 16s., and be worth £1 in six years and £1 4s. in ten years.

This Savings Certificate, he said, which is still the best investment of its kind in the country, retains all the many well-known advantages of the first issue, which include: State security, good rate of interest, exemption from income tax, repayment when required. The maximum holding is 500 as before, but it is to be noted that no person may hold or have an interest in more than 500 Certificates, whether they are of the first issue or the second issue, or a combination of both.

The Certificate may be bought individually or jointly in the names of two or more persons or in trust for others. It may also be purchased by friendly or other societies. It is issued in a convenient form in single documents for one Certificate, costing 16s.; five Certificates, costing £4; ten Certificates, costing £8; 25 Certificates, costing £20, and for any multiple or combination of these amounts from 26, costing £20 16s., to 500, costing £400. Purchases may be made at any Post Office or through banks or Savings Associations.

A weekly saving of 6d. per week in ten years becomes £15, and of 5s. per week £156 in the same period.

NO INCOME TAX.

Owing to an unauthorised statement published some time ago, there appeared to be a certain amount of doubt as to exemption from income tax. It is advisable, said Mr. Mullett, to state here definitely that no income tax is charged upon the interest or bonus earned by Saorstat Eireann Savings Certificates, whether of the first or second issue, and no mention of these Certificates need be made in any income tax return rendered by any resident of the Irish Free State to the Inland Revenue authorities.



MR. H. A. MULLETT.

The holder of Savings Certificates of either the first or second issue may at any time during the life of the Certificate obtain repayment, with interest due, on a few days' notice to the Post Office. There are no fees or charges of any kind made on investment or withdrawal, and there is no question of depreciation or lapsing, as the growth of the Certificate is fixed. All moneys invested can be withdrawn in full at any time plus interest accrued.

Sixpenny savings stamps will continue to be sold at post offices where savings cards will be issued free to facilitate the public in the easy purchase of Certificates.

HOLDERS' RIGHTS.

Holders of Savings Certificates of the first issue should note that their rights are not affected in any way by the introduction of the new Certificate. Under this arrangement those who have bought 15s. 6d. Certificates at various intervals are entitled to hold all such Certificates until the date of maturity of the last purchased, that is, until ten years from the date of that Certificate, each such Certificate so retained beyond the tenth year from the date of its purchase receiving interest at the rate of 1d. per month per Certificate. The holder is, therefore, entitled to interest on any of his 15s. 6d. Certificates retained up to, but not beyond, ten years from the date on which the last 15s. 6d. Certificate was bought, but the subsequent purchase of a 16s. Certificate will not extend the life of any 15s. 6d. Certificate.

When the Government decided to suspend the first issue Certificates on the 20th February last Savings Associations and their members held certain sums in cash, and also had filled savings cards to be exchanged for Certificates. In addition, their members had partly-filled savings cards. An enormous number of inquiries from Savings Associations and Committees have been received at the Central Savings Committee and the Post Office regarding the disposal of the cash and the filled and partly-filled savings cards.

CONCESSIONS TO INVESTORS.

The Government instituted the savings movement primarily for the benefit of the genuine small investor; that is, the person who could only save by means of, say, sixpences and shillings, and they have been most anxious to encourage and facilitate this class of investor in every possible way. The Minister for Finance, therefore, has decided on the following concessions:—

(a) Cash received by Hon. Secretaries of Savings Associations on or before the 20th February, 1931, for the purchase of Savings Certificates will be accepted, and Certificates of the first issue at 15s. 6d. will be issued in exchange.

(b) Filled savings cards held by Associations on the same date will also be exchanged for 15s. 6d. Certificates.

(c) Partly filled cards in the hands of members of Associations prior to the 20th February, 1931, should be completed with 31 stamps, and if presented for exchange on or before the 30th June, 1931, will qualify also for 15s. 6d. Certificates.

Mr. Mullett concluded by thanking the thousands of voluntary workers who assisted the movement all over the country, and asking for a continuance of their co-operation.

He also announced the holding of a National Thrift Congress in Dublin on 25th-26th June next, and hoped they would all help to make it a success.

CORK CITY AND THE MOVEMENT.

FINANCE MINISTER CRITICISED.

Mr. James Dwyer, Chairman, Cork Savings Committee, who presided, pointed to Cork's support in the national saving movement, saying that of the first issue of Certificates Cork bought one and a quarter million pounds worth, and withdrawals amounted to one-quarter of a million, leaving one million invested in Cork, a record of which they in Cork were proud. It also indicated confidence in the scheme.

Dr. J. C. Foley said that the major part of the success of the movement was due to Mr. Mullett. He had over six millions in the State coffers, and Cork had a good interest in that. The interest was still the highest given anywhere.

Mr. C. P. Murphy, Vice-President, Cork Regional Committee, said that he held that movement was primarily for poor people and small investors, and, therefore, he thought the reduction of interest which had been made was wrong and inadvisable. His criticisms were directed towards the Finance Department and not the Central Savings Committee. He expressed the opinion that the Government had spoiled the movement.

MINISTER'S ECONOMY HATCHET.

Mr. R. W. Sinnott said that even though changes had been made the investment was still the best.

Mr. R. Wallace, Chairman, Cork Harbour Board, said that he considered that the Minister for Finance went in too much for hatchet economy. The finances of the poor were the finances of the country, and no business could get on without the poor. There was not a business man in Cork who had not had trouble about income tax through the Minister for Finance, "and I feel," he said, "if he continues, he will knock some businesses out of operation." He wished the scheme success, since it was an insurance backed up by State guarantee, and thus they should not have to go to England for money.

Professor Busteed said if the fund was to be troubled by the wealthy investor he should be cut out. He was inclined to agree with the criticism that had been offered.

Mr. Jeremiah Hurley, Chairman, Cork Workers' Council, endorsed the criticisms regarding the lowering of the interest rate. This country was grand for the moneyed people, since income tax and death duties are lower than elsewhere, but the poor man was not considered as he should be. He protested against this method of reducing the flow of money into the savings movement.

THE COMMITTEE'S POSITION.

Mr. P. F. Quinn, Central Savings Committee, said that it should be known that the Central Savings Committee had already told the Finance Minister the effects of his action. Suggestions were turned down by the Minister, "and, indeed, we get so much turning down up there by the Minister that I do not know why we do not put on our hats and go home. Only for the good work that we think we are doing for the poor investor, we perhaps would not stay there."

STEAMERS ON FIRE AT SEA.

A Lloyd's message received yesterday from Port Louis, Mauritius, stated that the captain of the British steamer Aloe reports by wireless that there is a fire in the bunkers, also in the timber cargo in No. 3 hold. The message adds: "Fire increasing and endangering the ship; due at 3 a.m. to-morrow."

The Aloe is a twin-screw steamer of 5,047 tons, owned by the Union Government of South Africa.

A report has reached Philadelphia that the Danish s.s. Nordhval had sent out an S.O.S. saying that she was on fire off Hereford Inlet, Cape May, N.J. The S.O.S. was, however, cancelled later by the Nordhval, which said that the s.s. Cherokee was coming alongside. The Nordhval left New York for Arica, Chile, yesterday.

A coastguard cutter from New York, two from Atlantic City and two destroyers were on their way to the rescue of the burning vessel, when a wireless message was received from the Cherokee that the fire in the Nordhval was extinguished and that the vessel was proceeding under her own power.

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CAMPAIGN TO REVIVE IRISH ATHLETICS.

POLICE COMMISSIONER'S EXTENSIVE PROGRAMME.

LESSONS TAUGHT BY PAST MISTAKES.

DETAILS of an extensive campaign to interest the youth of Ireland in athletics, and, by so doing, to enable her to secure adequate representation at the Olympic Games and a more prominent position in the world of sport, were set forth by General Eoin O'Duffy at yesterday's sitting of the Teachers' Congress in Cork.

" There is," he said, " ample material in our schools, and we must find and develop it."

The teachers present promised the scheme their whole-hearted support.

TEACHERS' HELP SOUGHT.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
CORK, Thursday.

A VIGOROUS campaign for the revival of athletics in Ireland will begin in the summer of this year. Conferences between responsible bodies and people who take an active interest in athletics will be held throughout Ireland, and ways and means will be devised by which the desired end may be reached.

The force behind this new campaign is General Eoin O'Duffy, Chief Commissioner, Civic Guards, who is this year President of the National Athletic and Cycling Association. The movement, the activities of which will extend in many directions, should receive universal support, and thus enable Ireland to take a prominent place in the world of sport. General O'Duffy revealed his plans when he addressed the Congress of National Teachers, assembled in Cork to-day, on the necessity for physical culture and organised games in the schools of the country.

NEED FOR ENTHUSIASM.

The position of athletics in Ireland was not, he said, a healthy one. The whole machinery needed overhauling and new spirit infused into the movement. "When I took up the Presidency of the N.A.C.A." he added, "I found there were few virile athletic clubs in the country. The interest was dying, and, indeed, many like myself felt that something should be done quickly. There was a debt on the Association. I sent an appeal to some friends, and I am happy to say that we have cleared that, and have a surplus of £300. It is now my intention to issue a public appeal for funds—say, £1,000—to enable us to carry out the extensive programme mapped out.

In the past we have committed the fault of concentrating on one big sports meeting in Dublin. We now see the results. For one month the athletes of the country went into training, but were idle more or less for the other eleven months. We are now going to change the procedure. We want to organise inter-parish competitions, where the spirit of rivalry will be promoted. From that we will go on to county sports and inter-county sports meetings. We will then begin to know our athletes; and, following these inter-county sports, we will bring the cream of our athletes to one big meeting in Dublin or elsewhere, as selected. By this means interest will not only live for one month, but all the year round.

OLYMPIC GAMES.

General O'Duffy spoke of the proud feeling among Irishmen when, through Dr. O'Callaghan the Irish flag was raised at Amsterdam. We are now looking forward to the Games at Los Angeles in 1932, and we want to raise Ireland's flag not only once, as at Amsterdam, but three or four times. We want to bring this campaign into the schools. The success of the G.A.A. is due in a large part, if not entirely, to the work of the National teachers. We ask you to continue that support in relation to athletics. There is material in our schools, and we must find it and encourage and devlop it.

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT.

From now we know that the Ministers of our Government are willing to help. They are interested, and they are waiting for a move by the people. We want organisation, and we can, with that, overcome difficulties now facing us. I would ask every T.D., no matter to what party he belongs, to assist in doing for Irish youth what every Government in the world is doing for youth. As Commissioner of Police, I know where youth is deteriorating, though by virtue of my position, I am not permitted to say publicly. I can tell you though, that in Germany you will not see boys under twenty years of age at cabarets and halls or picture houses, and you cannot offer a greater insult to a boy than to ask him to have a drink or a cigarette.

In this campaign of ours we have arranged for a series of conferences all over the country to deal with certain problems. Every part of Ireland will be taken up. We have no partition, and though the position—as some of you know—is none too safe, we have no fear but that good will result. Concluding, he asked the teachers to foster the spirit of games, thus helping to build up the young manhood of the country. If the elder people took up the idea the enthusiasm of boys would be unbounded.

The teachers assembled promised every support to General O'Duffy's scheme.

OBITUARY.

MR. WILLIAM WRIGHT, M.P.

Mr. William Wright, Labour M.P. for the Rutherglen Division of Lanarkshire, died last night at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Crozier, in Rosslyn avenue, Rutherglen. He had been unwell since last November.

Mr. Wright was born near Lincoln in August, 1862. At the age of nine he was selling newspapers; at twelve he was a stable boy in a Rotherham mine; and at fourteen a farmer's boy. When yet a boy he was left as breadwinner for a family of ten, and for nine years he worked from seventy to eighty hours a week.

Mr. Wright joined the Independent Labour Party in 1893, and, after working as an organiser in South Wales, acted for many years as propaganda agent for the Scottish Co-Operative Wholesale Society. He entered Parliament at the age of sixty, in 1922. In recent years he had devoted much attention to experiments in intensive agriculture and multiple wheat growing. In 1921 he produced from one thousand to fifteen hundred grains of wheat from one seed, and in July last exhibited in the House of Commons twenty-five wheat stems grown from a single seed in his garden at Balham. He was part author of a book on agriculture and unemployment, and had also written a book of verse.

Mr. Wright's death creates a Parliamentary vacancy in the Rutherglen Division.

Mr. Wright is the seventh member of Parliament to die this year. The others were:—Mr. Albert Bellamy (Labour), Ashton-under-Lyne, and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Pensions; Dr. Ethel Bentham (Labour), East Islington; Sir Laming Worthington-Evans (Conservative), St. George's, Westminster; Mr. Vernon Hartshorn, Lord Privy Seal and Labour member for Ogmore Division; Mr. James Stewart (Labour), St. Rollox Division, Glasgow; and Mr. Alfred Smith (Labour), Sunderland.

CANON HOURIGAN.

The death has occurred at the residence of his brother, Mr. James Hourigan, Ardnacree, Golden, Tipperary, of Very Reverend John Hourigan, Canon of Portsmouth.

Ordained for the Archdiocese of Cashel about 1883, he ministered for a period in Scotland, and, for health reasons, was later transferred to the Channel Islands, where he laboured many years. Recently he was appointed Canon of Portsmouth.

Canon Hourigan, who, through failing health, returned some months ago to live with his brother in his native place, was aged about seventy-five.

MR. MICHAEL O'HAGAN.

Mr. Michael O'Hagan, who for about ten years had been Superintendent of the General Post Office, Dublin, Sorting Department, died suddenly at his residence, 101 Phibsborough road, yesterday morning. He had been in the service of the Post Office since January, 1895, and was regarded as one of its most efficient and popular officers. Mr. O'Hagan had been on sick leave during the past few days.

BARONESS JAMES DE ROTHSCHILD.

Reuter's Paris Correspondent states that the Baroness James de Rothschild, mother of Baron Henri de Rothschild, director of the Nord Railway, died there yesterday morning after a short illness. She was in her 84th year. The Baroness was a Chevalier of the Legion of Honour, and was well known for her numerous works of charity.

DR. P. W. FREYER.

Dr. Patrick William Freyer, M.B., C.M., Edin., died at Aughris, Cleggan, Co. Galway, yesterday, at the age of 66.

A licence was issued in New York yesterday for the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Firth, a former "star" at the Gaiety Theatre, London, and Mr. Jeptha Wade, the celebrated balloonist. Some years ago it was announced in the British and American Press that Miss Firth was engaged to the late Mr. Alfred Vanderbilt.—(Reuter.)

ANCIENT IRISH ART.

BID TO REVIVE PUBLIC INTEREST.

In the course of a lecture on "The Principles of Celtic Ornament," read before the Academy of Christian Art on Wednesday evening, Mr. J. G. Merne emphasised the value of the primitive motives of Irish art for decorative purposes in modern times. Having explained how ancient man developed from the use of symbols a sense of decoration, producing in turn simple border, diaper and all-over pattern, he showed the importance of the S curve and curved swastika as the basis of Irish ornament, and the very definite structural inter-relation existing between the trumpet-pattern scroll and interlaced designs.

Mr. Merne next discussed the possibilities of numerous knot-motives derived from developed S-curves; explained how they might form the basis of borders, and showed their general application in the arts, as for tiles. Turning to the work of the ancient Irish artists, the lecturer showed the part played by such simple motives as the step and tau in the production of beautiful and complicated counterchange patterns, which anyone who understood the principles underlying the work might easily construct. A feature of the lecture was the wealth of designs with which it was illustrated, and a blackboard demonstration showing the technique involved.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. L. S. Gogan, who said that the work of such artists as Mr. Merne and Art O Mornachain augured well for the revival of early Irish ornament, and he expressed the hope that Mr. Merne's methods would find their way into our schools, and eventually lead to the replacement of tawdry foreign ornament by the beautiful designs placed before the Academy.

Mr. J. Geoghan, supporting the vote of thanks, expressed his admiration for the effective exposition of Irish ornamental art given by the lecturer.

Miss Gleeson, of the Dun Emer Guild, complained of the prevailing apathy towards Irish decorative art, and hoped that Mr. Merne's work would secure for it a greater public interest.

SUCCESSFUL SHOW CLOSED.

The annual Spring Show of the Royal Horticultural and Aboricultural Society of Ireland was brought to a conclusion yesterday afternoon in the Iveagh Covered Court, Earlsfort terrace, Dublin.

The judging had been completed and the awards made on the previous day, and yesterday the large number of visitors moved freely through the exhibition and admired the excellent display of flowers, shrubs, plants, etc.

The Committee and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Edward Kelly, had made careful arrangements, and the Society is to be congratulated upon the success of the Show.

BOYS' BRIGADE DISPLAY.

The 8th Dublin Company, the Boys' Brigade, will hold its 40th annual inspection and display in the Metropolitan Hall at 8 p.m. to-night. An interesting and varied programme which has been arranged will include the parade of the "tin soldiers," whose performance gained so much distinction two years ago.

All past members of the company have been asked to attend, and the programme will be supported by the band of the 14th Dublin Company. The inspecting officer will be Mr. H. Arnold Wilson, Brigade Treasurer.

TARA STREET BATHS.

Next Tuesday, 14th April, and each subsequent Tuesday, until further notice, the first class swimming pond at Tara Street Baths will be reserved for the exclusive use of ladies, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., the water being maintained at a temperature of 74 degrees.

Places Beauty at your Feet.
Science Floor Polish
4d 6d 1/- and 2/- Tins 8/- Pails

TRALEE BULL SHOW.

GOOD DISPLAY OF DAIRY ANIMALS.

MODERATE PRICES AT THE SALES.

FROM OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT.
TRALEE, Thursday.

THERE were sixty-seven entries for the eighth annual bull show and sale, held under the auspices of the Irish Dairy Shorthorn Breeders' Society, in the Market, Tralee, to-day. This was somewhat better than last year, and represented a useful class of bulls, shown in natural condition. Dairy bulls made by far the best display on the ground, especially in the older yearling section. The Ballinclemsig Creamery Cup for the best dairy bull, an dalso the gold medal for the dairy shorthorn, were both won by the lengthy, level red roan, Captain, from Mr. T. Carmody, Crotta, Lixnaw, and sired by Informer. In the sale ring he was sold for 43½ guineas, the best price obtained for premium bulls. Mrs. H. O'Connor, Ballyseedy, Tralee, was reserve for both honours with Campmaster, a roan February yearling by Garrylawrence Farmer, and out of an 800-gallon cow. A small show of Aberdeen-Angus was topped by Bob of Churchtown, a February yearling from Mrs. E. Magill, Beaufort. Only four bulls were awarded premiums, and two of these wee purchased by the Department of Agriculture. Trade generally was slow, and non-premium bulls sold cheaply. Mr. T. O'Sullivan, Cloughouv, was the judge.

DAIRY BULLS.

For older dairy bulls, recognised progeny, Mr. T. Carmody, Lixnaw, of the Kilflynn Cow-Testing Association, took first prize and the championship cup and medal with Captain, a growthy, well-balanced red roan. Mrs. H. O'Connor was second and reserve for the championship with Campmaster, a roan of fine dairying stamp. Mr. T. O'Sullivan Beaufort, was third with Ross 2nd, a level red roan, fifteen months old, admirably suited for his purpose. Mr. E. Sugrue, Ballyseedy, was fourth with Soundman; Mr. R. Blennerhasset, Beaufort (Killarney C.T.A.), fifth with Culleenymore Monarch, and Mr. M. Diggin, Lixnaw (Kilflynn C.T.A.), sixth with Faraway.

For dairy bulls, recognised progeny, calved on or after 1st March, 1930, Mr. John O'Connell, Abbeydorney (Kilflynn C.T.A.), led with his promising red, Red Huntsman, with plenty of milk on both sides of his pedigree; Mrs. C. McCarthy, Lixnaw (Kilflynn C.T.A.), was second with Sonny Boy, Mr. T. Carmody third with Morning Star, a good-looking roan; Mr. John O'Connell fourth with Dainty Man; Mr. William Mangan, Lixnaw (Kilflynn C.T.A.), fifth with Cloister Bell, and Mr. M. O'Sullivan, Beaufort (Killarney C.T.A.), sixth with Shanaduan Bounty.

NON-REGISTERED STOCK.

For non-pedigree bulls of shorthorn type, not recognised progeny, calved between 1st September, 1929, and 28th February, 1930, Mr P. O'Sullivan, Beaufort, led with Dainty Man; Mr. John McKenna, Castlegregory, was second with Victor's Pride, and third with Dairy Prince; Mr. T. O'Sullivan's Beaufort Prince 3rd was fourth.

For non-pedigree bulls of shorthorn type, not recognised progeny, calved on or after 1st March, 1930, Mr. R. O'Gorman, Ballyhar (Killarney C.T.A.), was first with Captain 2nd; Mr. E. Sugrue, Ballyseedy, second with Ambrose; Mr. S. Egan, Abbeydorney, third with Laddie, and Mr. A. Glasure, Kilflynn, Tralee, fourth with Young Fellow.

ABERDEEN-ANGUS.

In a moderate class for Aberdeen Angus bulls, Mrs. E. Magill, Beaufort, won first prize and the silver medal with Bob of Churchtown, by Premier of Auchterarder. Mr. M. O'Donnell, Castlemaine, was second with Gordon of Ballintemple, and Mrs. Magill third with Ruby of Churchtown.

Only three Kerries were shown, and two were given prizes. Mr. G. A. Foley, Killorglin, led with Anglout Sheamus, a very typical specimen that should be heard of again. Mr. R. Langford, Milltown, County Kerry, was second with Reinroe Chieftain, belonging to a heavy milking strain.

Mr. James Pigott, as hon. secretary, had charge of the general arrangements, which were well carried out, while the sale was conducted by Mr. Florence Harty.

THE SALES.

If it were not for the purchases by the Department of Agriculture prices for even the four premium bulls would have been very poor. As it was, buyers were cautious and secured a number of useful bulls cheaply. The premium dairy bulls sold as follow :—

	Gns.
Thos. O'Sullivan's Ross 2nd (to the Department of Agriculture)	41
Terence Carmody's Captain (champion) (to D. Doyle, Beaufort)	43½
Edmond Sugrue's Soundman (to W. Joy, Listowel)	36
Mrs. H. O'Connor's Campmaster (reserve champion) (to Department of Agriculture)	37

Other bulls ranged from 14 to 20 guineas.

Derry Feis Awards.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
DERRY, Thursday.

FEIS Doire Colmcille was continued in the Derry Guildhall to-day.

Jig (1st division)—1, Hugh Murray, Wellington street, Derry; 2, Eileen McCarthy, Eglinton row, Derry, and Vera Gallagher, Foyle road, Derry, tied; 3, Mary Downey, Mountjoy street, Derry.

Piano and Violin Duet—1, Mrs. Conaghan and Mr. Joseph O'Doherty, Derry.

Sight Reading—1, Mary A. McGirr, Ard Sgoil, Convent of Mercy, Derry; 2, Josephine O'Doherty, Derry.

Piano Class, for boys under sixteen—1, John Byrne, Quigleyspoint; 2, James McCafferty, Francis street, Derry; 3, Gerald Kelly, Waterside, Derry.

Junior Pianoforte Solo, under fourteen—1, Mary Anne McGirr, Convent of Mercy, Derry; 2, Gretta Denniece, Windsor terrace, Derry; 3, Peggy McDermott, Convent of Mercy, Derry, and Peggy Coulter, Westend Park, Derry.

Boys' Duet—1, S. and C. Bradley, Derry; 2, P. Doherty and T. Tully, Derry.

Ladies' Test Pieces—1, May Kelly, Kathleen O'Kelly and Annie Kelly, Loreto Convent, Omagh; 2, Sheila Coyle, Rosalie Lynch and Annie K. O'Doherty, Derry.

Trio for Piano, Violin and 'Cello—1, Freda Cradden, Patricia Cradden and Susie Douglas, Derry; 2, Eileen Carr, Margaret Black and Nancy Gillespie, Derry.

Soprano Solo—1, Lizzie Mullan, Waterside; 2, May Elly, Loreto Convent, Omagh; 3, Bridie McGuinness, Chamberlain street, Derry.

Junior Violin, under sixteen years—1, Nan Mullan, Fountain Hill, Waterside, Derry; 2, Bridie Fox, William street, Derry; 3, Ross Davies, Derry.

Country Fiddles—1, Patrick Mulhern, Dumfries, Co. Donegal; 2, Gerald Graham, Clonmany.

The Anna McAuley Memorial Cup was won by Maura McCloskey, Foyle street, Derry.

Eight Hand Reel—1, T. O'Hara, B. Fox, H. Leavy, Rosita Rooney, J. McGettigan, Agnes Lynch, F. Brady and Brigid Downes, Derry.

DOCTOR'S LIBRARY SOLD.

Messrs. Bennett and Sons, Ltd., offered for sale yesterday at their auction rooms, Ormond quay, Dublin, an interesting collection of books and a number of oilpaitings, the property of the late Dr. T. G. Dillon. The books were of great variety—medical, historical, classical, philosophical, botanical, and travel. The sale also included a quantity of silver, curios, and miniatures (the property of the late Dr. Henry Earl).

TRIBUTE TO COUNTESS OF IVEAGH.

The postal ballot for the election of officers for the Central Women's Advisory Committee of the National Union of Conservatives and Unionist Associations resulted as follows:—Chairman, the Countess of Iveagh, M.P. (unopposed); Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Assheton.

GUINNESS' FIRST-CLASS CLERKSHIPS.
At the last Exam. 4 of the 5 Appointments were gained by ROSSE COLLEGE, Stephen's Gn. Principal: A. Sparkhall Brown, B.Sc. (Lond.) —(Advt.)

ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL.

THE ACT A FARCE IN DUBLIN.

DISTRICT JUSTICES HELD TO BLAME.

A RESOLUTION from the Central Executive Council was proposed at yesterday's Congress in Cork of the Irish National Teachers' Organisation by Mr. L. McSweeney (Kerry), seconded by Mr. O'Hagan (Dublin), and passed, instructing the Executive to prepare a report on the working of the School Attendance Act, 1929, and to take such steps as may seem advisable to remedy the defects which the inquiry would disclose.

Declaring that the School Attendance Act had degenerated into a farce in Dublin, Mr. O'Hagan said that the official figures of 87 per cent. for school attendance in Dublin was entirely misleading; that was only the percentage of children on the rolls. If all the children of school-going age were included the average would be nearer to 70 than 87. A priest had brought to a school in Dublin a boy of nine who had never been at school.

There is no city in Europe, said Mr. O'Hagan, in which there are more children of school-going age on the streets during school hours than in Dublin. They had big boys in their classes who were a bad example to the other boys and a heartbreak to the teachers. He had no complaint to make against the school attendance officers or the School Attendance Committee, but he had strong complaints to make against the District Justices for their treatment of school attendance cases.

Delegates from different counties complained of the leniency with which District Justices dealt with school attendance cases, and it was mentioned that in Kerry a parent was fined sixpence for neglecting the education of his child, and five shillings for having an unshod donkey.

General O'Duffy, Commissioner of the Civic Guard, offered to co-operate in any investigation that might take place to improve school attendance, but said that the Guards were discouraged by the apparent lack of public interest which existed, and which was manifested by the case of the donkey quoted by the Kerry delegate.

The resolution was adopted.

SUGGESTED TAX ON BACHELORS.

The Tipperary County Committee put forward a resolution requesting the Central Executive Council to make strong efforts to obtain security of tenure for teachers adversely affected, and whose positions were likely to become more acute by virtue of the operation of the Vocational Education Act.

Mr. Slattery (Tipperary) formally proposed the resolution.

Mr. Beckett (Cork) attributed the declining averages to an over-abundance of old bachelors and spinsters—(laughter)—and said that if they wanted to keep the assistant teachers in the schools they should demand that the Government put a good, decent tax on those who did not do their duty. (Laughter.)

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

SANITATION IN SCHOOLS.

In a paper, Dr. R. Condy, Cork County Medical Officer of Health, dealing with the sanitation of schools, said that if the health of the school child was to be maintained, conditions during school hours should tend to promote and safeguard, and not retard, the building-up of strong, robust children, physically and mentally. The hygienic conditions of a great many schools, particularly in rural districts, were grossly defective. In County Cork defective toilet conveniences, he said, were most predominant.

He urged that the common roller towel and drinking cup should be abolished, and that parents should provide an alternative. In some of the older schools ventilation, he said, was often very defective, and objectionable odours in the class-rooms were often markedly noticeable to the casual visitor.

He dealt with the question of lighting and heating, saying that a uniform temperature of about 60 degrees F. should be sought.

SCHOOL MEALS.

Speaking about school meals, Dr. Condy said that a mid-day meal was very desirable, but the alteration of school hours likely would intensify the problem of truancy. Every school should have facilities available, in order that children bringing meals to school might have them prepared and warmed, and be able to eat them in comfort.

SWEEPSTAKES FOR SCHOOLS.

Mr. H. McManus (Dublin) suggested that the organisers of sweepstakes should leave aside some portion of the proceeds for the rising generation. The hospitals were being looked after fairly well, and defective schools should now be assisted.

Mr. O'Neill (Fermoy) called for individual medical inspection of all school children, and, when other views had been expressed, the thanks of Congress were conveyed to Dr. Condy.

Belfast Cathedral.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
BELFAST, Thursday.

Addressing the Registered Vestrymen of Belfast Cathedral last evening, the Dean of Belfast (the Very Rev. H. R. Brett, M.A.) said that exactly five years ago he had become Dean, and as that was the period he had then set in his own mind as the one at whose end some results of his labours might be looked for, he would summarise what had been done during that time. The west front of the Cathedral, already begun, had been completed, and its portals carved and furnished with bronze gates. Its two rose windows had been filled with stained glass. Arrangements were in progress for the embellishment of the great west door with bronze plates in its thirty-six panels, and for the erection of bronze lamps. Within the Cathedral the Baptistry had been decorated; the great capitals and corbels of the nave, as well as some minor work had been carved; a Mosaic tympanum had been placed over the west door; a pavement of Irish marble had been laid. A chapel was in course of erection. Two further parcels of property had been bought, thus bringing appreciably nearer the time when the Cathedral would stand in an open space. For all these purposes about £25,000 has been found, and not a penny had been spent on the Cathedral which had not been previously subscribed.

Viewing the past five years from another angle, the Dean said that the custom of inviting the members of the Chapter to preach in the Cathedral in rotation had been restored. In addition to these, from fifteen to twenty of the diocesan clergy had preached there each year. The connection thus formed was, perhaps, responsible for the fact that when a debate recently took place with regard to the division of the dioceses much stress was laid on the loss which formal separation from the Cathedral would necessarily entail on County Down Churchfolk. He recalled a meeting held thirty-five years earlier in the very hall in which the debate had taken place, which had rejected a proposal in favour of the building of a Cathedral, and he rejoiced at the justification of the faith and courage of Bishop O'Hara, who, in the teeth of open opposition and deadly indifference, persisted with a scheme which now lies close to the heart of the diocese.

FIRE-FIGHTING PROGRESS.

"The evolution of the fire engine" was the title of a paper that was read by Mr. J. Kelly at a meeting of the Model and Experimental Engineers at 9 Lower Pembroke street, Dublin, last night.

"The fire engine as we know it to-day, developed in five successive stages," the lecturer said, "and it was known as far back as the year 250 B.C." The first stage in the fire engine evolution was that which lasted up to the beginning of the seventeenth century. It could eject water, but it could not draw water from a pond. The next development was that of the engine which could both lift and drive water. In the year 1829 the steam fire engine was first introduced, and this revolutionised the art of fire fighting until the year 1841, when the method of steam motor engine was introduced in America. This method was adopted in England twenty-one years later. The type of fire engine of to-day was introduced about the year 1906.

THE FREE STATE SCHOOLS.

AN OVERLOADED PROGRAMME.

MAKING A MUDDLE OF IRISH.

IN moving a resolution at the Congress of the Irish National Teachers' Organisation at Cork yesterday, at which Mr. F. Ward presided, complaining that the present school programme was so overloaded as to be a hindrance to the teacher and the pupil, and suggesting alterations, Mr. McCarthy (Banagher) said that there were now about fourteen subjects on the programme, and he wondered did the National Educational authorities realise the huge difference that it made now that they had Irish introduced and that infants should be taught through the medium of Irish—infants who did not hear a word of Irish at home, and whose parents, to say the least, were quite indifferent with regard to Irish education.

Irish educationalists everywhere held that children should be taught through the medium of their mother tongue, and they also agreed that the most important training in the mother tongue should be obtained not in the schools, but at home. They would not find a single French, German or other nationality that would not agree with this.

SOMETHING UNKNOWN.

Here in Ireland they were facing something unknown in any other modern nation. If Irish was to be made a living language, it was most important that the children in the third and fourth standards should get a good deal of early teaching. English was a more difficult subject, since the children when they came to third and fourth standards had not had the basis laid for the teaching of that language in the lower classes.

Under the present programme Irish would never be revived to form the language of the school, the home and the nation. Historians of the future would point to the school programme as the reason why the present generation made such a muddle of the language, which was being elbowed out by such subjects as algebra and rural science.

Mr. Murphy (Wexford) asked to have an addendum added to the resolution, requesting that a commission be set up to examine the programme.

Mr. O'Keeffe (Belturbet) said that they had the previous day passed a resolution directing the Central Executive Council to call for a conference, and the resolution, if passed, would be tying their hands.

AN IMPOSSIBLE PROGRAMME.

Mr. P. O'Kane (Ballina) regarded the present programme as impossible, so far as the Irish language revival was concerned, and that had been proved after the trial of it. The last two conferences held had made their position worse than it had been before.

On the suggestion of the President, Mr. McCarthy, the proposer of the resolution, agreed to withdraw it in view of the resolution already passed calling for a conference.

THE GAELTACHT'S CLAIMS.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY CRITICISED.

THE teachers of Irish continued their conference yesterday in the Gaelic League Hall, Parnell square, Dublin.

On the motion of Sean O'Shea (Cork), seconded by Sean O'Brien (Limerick), a resolution was passed declaring that the Irish Teachers' Association did not desire affiliation with the Association of Technical Teachers or the Local Government Officials' Organisation until their own association was satisfactorily established.

After long discussion a resolution was passed regarding the course which is being set by the Department of Education for a number of Irish teachers who are to qualify for service under the Vocational Education Act; and requesting the Department and Vocational Education Committees, as well as the Gaelic League, to see to it that the course to be provided for these teachers would be thoroughly Gaelic. If steps were not taken in that direction, it said, there would be danger that the schools would become the medium of further Anglicisation of the country.

Padraig O Gabhlain (Galway) addressed the meeting on the necessity for liberalising education and helping the young people in that field of culture which would develop their intellectual gifts, while aiding them in the practical affairs of life, and enabling them to make a decent living in their own land.

UNFULFILLED PROMISES.

Mr. Padraic O Domhnallain at last night's session, speaking in Irish on the events of the nineteenth century, said that the Gaelic Ireland which bore the brunt of the land war and foreign economic pressure was promised ever since the formation of the Land League, over fifty years ago, that under a Home Rule Government large numbers would be transplanted to the lands from which their ancestors were driven. These promises had not been fulfilled, and, instead of the land, which would give them bread, they were offered seaweed, save in a few cases where they were invited to start anew in the midst of mountain morasses. They saw the assets of the Congested Districts Board, amounting to over a million pounds, taken over by the Government. Very little of that had been spent in the Gaeltacht.

In the meantime the Government had collected some £2,000,000 from the Gaeltacht, and the Land Commission could sell securities arising out of its Western estate to the sum of £465,691. Applications made under the new administration were not being met, as had been expected. Out of some 9,000 valid applications for housing loans only 300 were sanctioned thus far. What a contrast to the work of the Congested Districts Board, whose report for the year 1920-21 said:—"109 dwelling-houses and 103 out-offices were erected by us on new or rearranged holdings, and 243 dwelling-houses and 36 out-offices were erected or substantially improved by tenants themselves, at a total cost of £55,274.

GAELTACHT COLLEGES.

The splendid colleges established in the Gaeltacht for the education of aspirants to the teaching profession kept their doors shut against the young native speakers in their neighbourhood. Was there any reason why the most intelligent pupils in the advanced classes in the schools surrounding these colleges should be denied the excellent tuition imparted in the new collegiate institutions? The Gaeltacht was exhorted to preserve the Gaelic language and all that it connotes. Yet, commissioners, librarians, doctors, and other officials, who were unable to transact their duties through the medium of Gaelic, were being dumped into it; and when a local body, like the Galway County Council, appointed a competent official, who could transact his duties in the native tongue, they found him denied sanction by a Government which pretended concern for Irish Ireland.

The Gaeltacht was being juggled with, and all serious thinking Gaels should endeavour to stop any further conjuring tricks in an area where people live in "grinding poverty," and whose economic state deserves immediate remedies, which must be drastic if they are to be effective.

RELIEF GRANT.

BALLINASLOE MAY LOSE £1,000.

An awkward situation has arisen at Ballinasloe, writes our Political Correspondent, in connection with the award of £1,000 for local works, under the Relief of Unemployment Act.

It appears that the Local Government Department made the award, stipulating that the wages to be paid under this grant should not exceed 30s. per week for labourers and £3 3s. per week for tradesmen. The local body accepted the grant, but, it seems, increased the wages for both labourers and tradesmen.

The Local Government Board promptly suspended the grant, and intimated that it was intended to award it to some other centres. Since then, however, the local body has made representations to the Department, offering to conform to the stipulation as to wages. In the circumstances it is probable that the grant will be continued.

FATHER MATHEW FEIS.

ENGLISH READING AND RECITATION.

GORE CUP AND VOCAL MUSIC.

The fourth day of the annual Feis at the Father Mathew Hall, Church street, Dublin, was marked by a shorter programme of competitions. The morning session was devoted to English elocution and reading, under the adjudication of Miss M. O'Grady. These competitions are very popular, and commanded a large entry in every instance. During the morning the adjudicator praised the clarity of diction displayed by the competitors, but recommended them to discard the conventional jingles of no great literary value in favour of good poetry.

The evening session was occupied by a continuation of the singing competitions. The chief event was the contest for the "Gore" Cup, presented by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gore-Grimes, for voice production and the popularising of national airs. It had been rumoured that the plain chant competitions for the Dublin priests' cups, for boys' and girls' primary school choirs, would not be held this year. This was officially denied yesterday by the President of the Feis, the Rev. Father Charles, O.S.F.C., who said that these contests had been fixed for Monday, April 13.

COMPETITIONS.

The following competitions were decided:—

Junior English Elocution (under 17 years of age)—17 entries. Test: Each competitor to recite two pieces of a contrasting nature in either prose or verse. Section 2 (Girls)—1 (silver medal), Miss Mary O'Neill, Holy Faith Convent, Clontarf (75 marks); 2, Miss Bubbles Walsh, 16 Elgin road, Ballsbridge (74); very highly commended, Miss D. Frank, 7 St. Kevin's road, Portobello, Dublin.

The adjudicator (Miss M. O'Grady) said that the commonest fault was the dropping of the voice towards the ends of sentences. With the whole of the world's literature to choose from, it was a pity that so many of the competitors selected the conventional and common-place jingles. Why not learn by rote something that would have a permanent value?

Preparatory English Reading (under 13 years of age). Sixteen entries.—1, Silver Medal, Miss Nancy Tanham, Dominican College, Eccles street, Dublin; 2, Colm Dochartaigh, 30 Bothar Clad, Dromconnarach, A'Cliath; very highly commended, Miss Carmel M. Gibney, "Frankforth," 44 North Circular road, Dublin.

The adjudicator said that it had been a very interesting contest. Almost every competitors had read the words of the set piece and lyric correctly.

Junior English Reading (under the age of 17 years. Test: Each competitor to read a piece of prose and verse selected by the adjudicator. Thirteen entries.—1, Silver Medal, Mr. J. Mahony, Christian Brothers' Schools, North Brunswick street, Dublin; 2, Mr. Michael Bourke, Christian Brothers' Schools, North Brunswick street, Dublin; very highly commended, Miss B. Walsh, 16 Elgin road, Ballsbridge, Dublin.

Miss O'Grady said that the principal difficulty had been the pronunciation of the initial "th," and this had counted against several competitors.

SINGING.

Mezzo-Soprano, (English Solo). Tests: "Speak Music" (Elgar) and "The Maid of the Sweet Brown Knowe" (arranged Hughes). Five entries.—1, Gold Medal, Miss Monica Sheridan, 1 Brandon terrace, Basin street, Dublin (93); 2, Miss Kathleen Ford, 4 Western Villas, Kenilworth Park; 3, Miss Frances Reid, 80 Lower Mount street, Dublin; very highly commended, Miss M. Kelly, "An Dun," Donabate; Miss E. O'Reilly, "Moorefield," Roebuck, Dundrum, who tied for second place with 82 marks, but was disqualified, as the second prize-winner of 1930.

The adjudicator, Mr. C. P. Fitzgerald, said that he was surprised at so few mezzo-sopranos going in for such a good Feis. In 1930 they had fifteen competitors, as compared with the present entry of five.

The "Gore" Cup (presented by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gore-Grimes). Test—Competitors to sing two Irish songs sufficiently different in character to show versatility of expression. Seven entries.

The cup was won by Miss Peggy Buttimere, 18 Oxford road, Ranelagh; very highly commended, Miss Victoria Coffey, "Larch Hill," Rathfarnham, and Miss M. Kelly, "An Dun," Donabate.

The adjudicator said that it was comparatively easy to win a medal, but he would like to make it more difficult to win a cup. It was, therefore, with some hesitation that he made the award on this occasion.

English Tenor Solo. Set pieces—"So we'll go no more a-roving" (N. V. White) and "The Blackbird" (arranged Somervell). Two entries—1 (gold medal), Mr. Edward O'Donoghue, 29 Fontenoy street, Dublin; 2, John J. Fitzpatrick, 30 Donore road, South Circular road, Dublin.

SUGAR BEET IN FREE STATE.

EXPERIMENTS SHOW VARIED RESULTS.

DETAILS of experiments carried out in 1929 by the Department's agricultural instructors in regard to the cultivation of sugar beet are given in the current issue of the *Journal* of the Free State Department of Agriculture.

The experiments were conducted on similar lines to those adopted in the preceding year, and results were obtained from 130 centres at which 520 sub-plots were laid down. The returns reveal that the average yield of beet was 12 tons 9 cwts. (factory weight) per statute acre, and the average sugar content of the samples 17.6 per cent.

At the majority of the centres where the experiments were conducted the soil was described as either medium or heavy loam. The best yield was, on the average, obtained from medium loam, and there was little difference in those obtained from light and heavy loams or peaty soils. As regards the sugar content of roots, the average return from moory soils was appreciably inferior to those from the three classes of upland soils. That of beet grown on the lighter upland soils was, on the average, slightly higher than that of beet grown on heavier soils. In general, however, such differences would appear to be seasonal and may be attributed to the effects of the moisture content of the soil at critical periods during the growth of the crop.

When grown after roots or potatoes the average yield of beet was 12 tons 13 cwts., and the average sugar content 17.5 per cent.; after a corn crop the averages were 12 tons 6 cwts. and 17.6 per cent. Beet grown after lea oats was better both in yield and content where the oat crop had received a dressing of artificial manures, and beet grown after lea oats was better in yield and content than beet grown after a manured crop.

The *Journal* quotes a recent report of the *Institut für Konjunkturforschung*, which states:—

"During recent months, the Irish economic position has generally maintained itself at a high level, and in some respects has even further improved. This is mainly attributable to the fact that the purchasing power of agriculture has risen. Prices of live-stock and their produce have been steadier than the prices of feeding stuffs, which have fallen sharply. The prices of live-stock have improved and the numbers exported have increased; further, the export of dairy products maintains a higher level than last year in spite of a fall in prices. Irish industry was also able to increase the export of its principal products, beer, and lately, tractors.

"Other countries which are not affected by the general slump are, in Europe, Norway, Denmark, Sweden and France, and overseas, Chile and New Zealand. The reason for the exceptional position of these countries differs in each case, but it is partly due to the facts that the prices of exported produce have fallen less than the prices of imported goods, and the purchasing power of the home market has risen. The principal products of these countries still finds markets capable of absorbing them, and the sharp fall in the prices of cattle food has reduced the cost of production."

DAME MELBA'S FORTUNE.

OVER £200,000 FOR DISPOSAL.

JEWELS VALUE £14,000 FOR GRAND-DAUGHTER.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
MELBOURNE, Thursday.

LITTLE Pamela Armstrong, the 12-year-old grand-daughter of Dame Nellie Melba, is one of the beneficiaries of the great singer's will, which will be filed for probate shortly, and which disposes of a fortune of over £200,000. Legal difficulties have, however, arisen, because Melba disposed of certain of the legacies before her death, and it is thought that it may take several weeks before these are settled.

Dame Melba died on February 23, and left a fortune which totals about £200,000. The majority of the estate is overseas, but that portion of it situated in Victoria amounts to £40,000.

BEQUESTS TO SON AND DAUGHTER.

After the payment of various bequests, all the income from the residuary estate goes to Mr. and Mrs. George Armstrong, the son and daughter-in-law of the "Queen of Song," Pamela's parents, during their lifetime, and thereafter to their child or children.

In the vent of the failure of the ultimate residuary direction, the will provides that the income from the estate shall be spent on the promotion and encouragement of music in Victoria. Melba herself expressed a wish that the fund should be spent on grand opera in Melbourne during the purchase or building of an opera house.

Four hundred pounds sterling has been left to Mr. Gerald Patterson, who was her nephew.

JEWELS FROM CROWNED HEADS.

Jewels valued at £14,000 have been bequeathed to Pamela Armstrong. These jewels, which were given to Melba by the crowned heads of Europe, include a pearl and ruby brooch from Queen Victoria, and go to the singer's granddaughter on her majority.

The estate has suffered severely from the prevailing depression, though Melba's estate in the United States is estimated at £100,000. She also possessed valuable property in the United Kingdom.

One of the biggest bequests is £8,000 invested in perpetuity for the Albert Street (Melbourne) Conservatorium of Music to provide a scholarship.

OTHER BEQUESTS.

One thousand pounds sterling had been left to Lord and Lady William Neville, an annuity of £250 has been left to Mr. John Lemmone, her accompanist; £1,000 to Mrs. Purchas, of Auckland, New Zealand; £2,000 to Frank and Lucy Purchas, £500 to Lady Susan Birch, and £1,000 to Major Wyndham Birch, of London, "in appreciation of the manner in which they looked after my interests"; £1,000 to Mr. Bernard Rold, of London; £100 to Annie Williams, of London; £50 each to Mr. Eales, of Covent Garden, and Mr. Frank Rigo, an opera promoter, and Mary Fassnedge, of London.

£1,000 has been bequeathed to the Children's Hospital of Melbourne; £1,000 is also to be invested, and the interest devoted to the upkeep of Melba Park, Lilydale, where Australia's "Queen of Song" passed to her last rest. Lord William Neville, who is one of Melba's English friends to whom bequests are made in her will, knew nothing of the bequest until informed by a reporter.

"I was a great friend of hers," he said, "our friendship having extended over forty years."

Lord William, who is a brother of the Marquis of Abergavenny, is 71. He was A.D.C. to the Duke of Marlborough when the Duke was Viceroy of Ireland. His wife, Lady William, who is also a beneficiary, is a daughter of the late Marquis de Santurce.

Major Wyndham Birch, who, with his wife, Lady Susan Birch, receives a bequest, commenced his war service as a private in the London Scottish. He was prime warden of the Fishmongers' Company, 1919-1920.

Lady Susan, who is a daughter of the 7th Earl of Hardwicke, is a woman of artistic versatility. She is a talented amateur actress, and has played the leading *rôles* in plays publicly produced for charity. Two or three years ago she revived the old craft of shell flower-making.

Mr. Gerald Patterson is a nephew of Melba's. Mr. Percy Eccles is secretary and business manager of the Grand Opera Syndicate, Covent Garden, a position he has held for the past 16 years. Before that he was Mr. Neil Forsyth's chief assistant.

FATAL SKI-ING ACCIDENT.

DAUGHTER OF FORMER SIRDAR KILLED.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
SCHEIDEGG, Thursday.

Miss Helen Stack, the daughter of the former Sirdar of Egypt, Sir Lee Stack, who was assassinated in 1924, was killed this morning at 11 o'clock while ski-ing on the Lauberhorn through coming into collision with another English ski-er, a Mr. Balfour.

Miss Stack was killed on the spot, and her body has been brought to Wengen, where it is lying in the hospital.

Miss Stack and Mr. Balfour came into a head-on collision of such force that Miss Stack's skull was fractured and she died instantaneously.

Mr. Balfour was also severely wounded in the head, and is now being treated in the hospital at Wengen. Miss Stack was 25 years old.

Mr. Leslie Balfour is a consulting engineer, of London.

MEMORIAL TABLET UNVEILED.

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S.

The memorial tablet which has been erected in the porch of St. Augustine's Church (one of the four churches of St. George's Parish) to the memory of the late Mr. F. W. Jackson, was unveiled at the Service in St. Augustine's Church on Wednesday evening. The officiating clergy were the Rev. J. T. Cummins and the Rev. K. D. B. Dobbs. There was a large congregation.

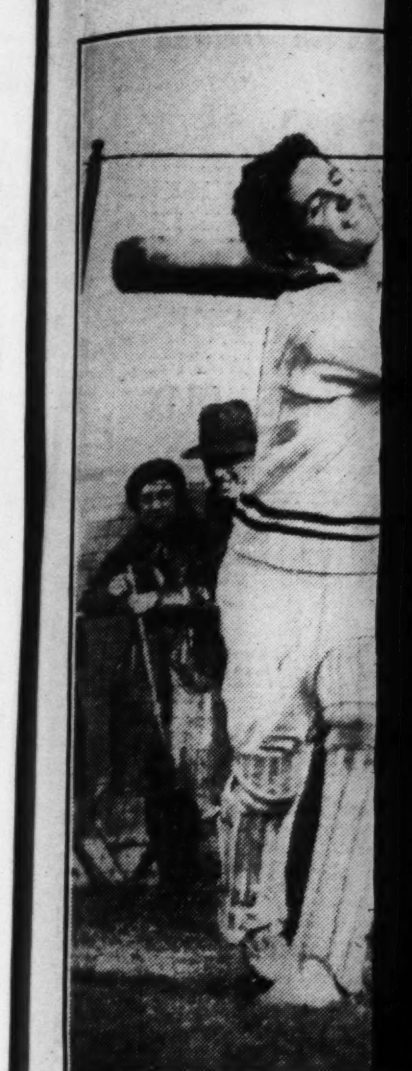
Preaching from the text, Acts ii., 24, "He was a good man," the Rev. Mr. Cummins, in the course of his sermon, said that simple, unassuming goodness was a characteristic of Frederick William Jackson. They remembered, too, his delightful friendliness, not an assumed friendliness which was characteristic of many people. He was a man of great energy and zeal, and they remembered him specially for the way he spent himself in the service of St. Augustine's Church. He was one of those who originated the custom, so whole-heartedly continued by the present Church Committee, of making each worshipper who came there feel that they were welcome, and that a personal interest was taken in each and everyone.

They would particularly remember with gratitude his work for that church in its transition period, in which he was so greatly helped by two others—Mr. H. H. Giltrap and Canon Greer—both of whom, like himself, had now passed to their rest. The Church of Ireland had need of men such as these, and for their memory and example they thanked God.

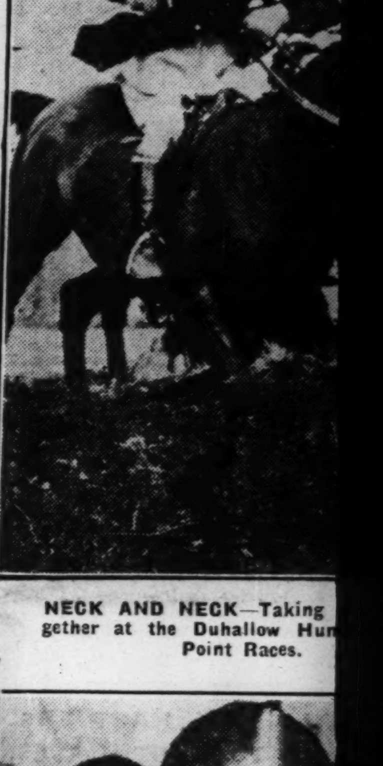
DEATH OF DR. CAMPBELL HALL.

The death of Dr. James Campbell Hall, M.B., a former Deputy-Lieutenant and High Sheriff of Co. Monaghan, occurred at his residence, Rowntree, Monaghan, on Wednesday last at the age of 80. Dr. Hall, a son of the Rev. R. A. Hall, of Tullyhouse, Monaghan, had been Medical Officer of Scotstown (Co. Monaghan), and of the Monaghan Union, and surgeon to the Monaghan County Hospital, and was a past president of the Ulster Medical Society. In 1886 he contested North Monaghan as a Conservative. A well-known grower of roses, he secured the gold medal of the National Rose Society for five of his blooms, and last year the Society conferred on him the Dean Hole Memorial Medal for meritorious services.

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NECK AND NECK—Taking
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SIGNING THE REGISTER—
Ravensworth, Ayr, and Miss N
Lumsden, 4 Fitzwilliam place,
Dublin, yesterday. Photograp



SLIGO FEIS—Mrs. Hey

CRICKET AND LAWN TENNIS PRACTICE



CRICKET SEASON OPENS—The boys of Belvedere College started cricket practice in the Phœnix Park, Dublin, yesterday. Photograph shows S. P. Quinn, their cricket captain and Rugby vice-captain, at the wicket.



WITH THE BALL—A. E. Knight, the Leicestershire and England player, is training the boys of Belvedere College for the fourth successive year. He is seen on the extreme right.





LAWN TENNIS AGAIN—Lawn tennis practice has begun at the Fitzwilliam Club, Dublin. Here are Arthur Hamilton, the Irish international badminton player (top), and R. W. S. Greene, two of the members seen on the courts yesterday.



THROWN—Mr. C. Montgomery comes off Texas Jack at the double bank in the Open Maiden Race at the Duhallow Hunt Point-to-Point.



NECK AND NECK—Taking a bank together at the Duhallow Hunt Point-to-Point Races.





NAVAL V.C. RETIRES—Thirty-nine lieutenant-commanders and five lieutenants of the Royal Navy have elected to retire under the special retirement scheme announced in February last, and among them is Lieutenant-Commander Gordon Steele, V.C. (herewith), who was one of the gallant little band that made the coastal motor boat raid on Kronstadt Harbour.

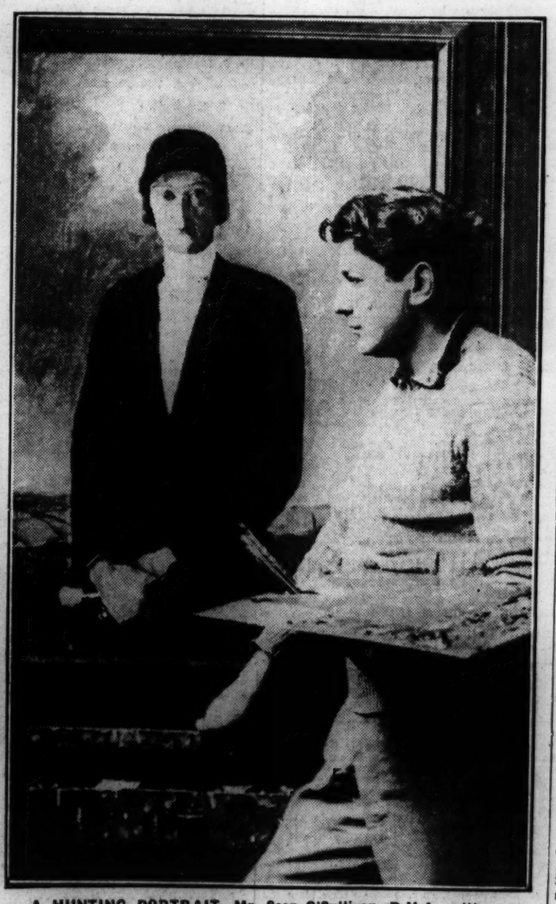


SIGNING THE REGISTER—The marriage of Mr. James Douglas Latta, of Ravensworth, Ayr, and Miss Norah Lumsden, daughter of Sir John and Lady Lumsden, 4 Fitzwilliam place, Dublin, took place in Christ Church, Leeson Park, Dublin, yesterday. Photograph shows the bride signing the register in the vestry.



CAPTAIN E. CLARKE, who is in command of the R.M.S.P. liner Arlanza, in which the Prince of Wales and Prince George will sail for home from Rio de Janeiro on Sunday next.

OUT OF HAND—An unusual picture, showing a thoroughbred Arabian horse rearing before running away.



A HUNTING PORTRAIT—Mr. Sean O'Sullivan, R.H.A., with his portrait of Miss Dorothy Musgrave, daughter of Lady Musgrave, of Cappoquin, Co. Waterford, which will be exhibited in the Royal Hibernian Academy next week. Miss Musgrave is Master of the Waterford Hounds.



SLIGO FEIS—Mrs. Heywood's class, first prize-winners in the Senior Action Song Competition.

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LADY DOYLE AND U.S. "MEDIUM."

DENIAL THAT SHE WAS HOAXED.

Lady Conan Doyle strongly denied yesterday the statement that she had been made the victim of a spiritualist hoax in New York a year ago. A "medium" called Nino Pescararo (according to a Reuter message) stated that a seance, during which the spirit of Lady Doyle's soldier son was evoked, was a "fake," in which the "spirit was Nino Pescararo in the flesh."

Lady Conan Doyle said yesterday:—"It is a fantastic story, and there is not a scrap of truth in it. For one thing I have not been to America for several years; secondly, I have never seen my stepson materialised there, and, thirdly, I have never met or heard of this so-called 'medium' named Pescararo. This man must be using my name merely to gain notoriety, and so get into the limelight. The whole story is absolutely absurd and wholly untrue."

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TO-DAY'S NEWBURY CARD.

ROYAL RUFUS FANCIED FOR GREENHAM PLATE.

It has become almost a platitude to write that the racing at Newbury was of the highest class, and certainly the sport at that meeting to-day and to-morrow should be quite up to the standard associated with the meeting. The Greenham Plate is the attraction of the opening day. If the weights for this event be compared with those of the T[illegible] Handicap it will be found that Glenalmond is the most favourably weighted horse in the race. Sordo is the worst weighted. Glenalmond was made a hot favourite to beat Portlaw in his last race last season, but could only finish third. He is, however, a smart horse, but F. Darling on this occasion has decided to run Berrydale instead of him. Berrydale's only success as a two-year-old was when he beat Miss Jessica filly at Newmarket, but he showed promise on several occasions.

Pomme d'Api has already run this season at Liverpool, where he figured among the "alsos" behind Orpen. Last season his best performance was at Newmarket, where he won the Fulbourne Stakes from Clarice colt. Lightning Star is said to have come on a lot this winter, and his name is frequently mentioned in connection with the Derby. He is a nicely-bred colt, and won one race last year, the valuable New Stakes at Ascot. Concerto is pleasing at home, and he showed some improvement last back-end. He won the Soltykoff Stakes at Newmarket, and wound up the season with a good second to Tilt, again at Newmarket. Royal Rufus has already been seen out this season, at Liverpool, where he was a trifle unlucky not to beat Venturer. On this occasion I expect him to do a little better and beat Concerto, and win.

There will be plenty of runners for the Beckhampton Plate. Wellington ran "green" at Liverpool, but had previously won a trial. Hoihu Ra has already had two races, one of which he won. Hat Guard, third in the Brocklesby Stakes, has distinct claims, and should go close. He comes from a stable in form. Speculation is fancied, but my selection is Wellington, who has not been idle since his Liverpool race.

H. Braime, the Burbage trainer, has decided to run Cor de Chasse instead of Hurstbourne in the Berkshire Handicap, and on the balance of his form he should go close. He won a couple of races last year in convincing style, and is expected to go close. Creme Brulee may be short of a gallop, but Marten's Tower showed at Leicester that he would soon be winning a race. Bedraggled has claims, but the selection is Treminnie, who was a little unlucky at Nottingham.

Juvenile (S.) Plate—**Silly Swan** (nap).
Compton (S.) Handicap—**Catlap.**
Greenham Plate—**Royal Rufus.**
Beckhampton Plate—**Wellington.**
Berkshire Handicap—**Treminnie.**
Chieveley Handicap—**Westerner.**

DOUBLE—Silly Swan and Westerner.

2.0—JUVENILE SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs. Two-year-olds. 5 f. st. lb.
WILLING CHICK C. (Mr. G. Whitelaw) Owner 9 0
FINGER BOWL C. (Mr. A. J. Bridgman) E. Harper 9 0
MULBERRY rig (Mr. L. A. Cundell) Cundell 8 9
GOLDEN SCEPTRE C. (Mrs. Langton) M. Hartigan 8 9
EAGERLOON C. (Mr. V. Smyth)......Owner 8 9
SOUR GRAPES G. (Mrs. V. Atkinson) G. L. Ward 8 6
GRIMALDI (Mr. O. Bell)..........O. Bell 8 6
SPORTING CHANCE (Mr. U. Gaskell) Gwilt 8 6
GLAZE WHEEL G. (Mrs. J. B. Joel) C. Peck 8 6
YOU DARE (Mr. S. McGregor)......Tabor 8 6
HAZELEY (Mr. de Mestre)..........Owner 8 6
PARAGREEN (Mr. J. de Rothschild)...Pratt 8 6
NIPISIQUIT G. (Mr. J. Russell)...J. Russell 8 6
WASPS' NEST C. (Mr. J. Russell) J. Russell 8 9
LUCKY TOM (Mr. J. G. Storey) D.-Pennant 8 6
CLOCHE D'OR (Mr. T. Smith) Templeman 8 6
SILLY SWAN (M. P. Wertheimer) F. Hartigan 8 6
DUNCHURCH (Capt. Weyland) W. Nightingall 8 6
GRINGALET (Mrs. Whitburn)..........Cottrill 8 6
HOMERIC F. (Mr. S. Wootton)..........Owner 8 6
GIORGIONE (Lord Wyfold)..........Persse 8 6
COURTESAN (Mrs. Wyndham) ......Cramsie 8 6

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.		Betting Forecast.
	WILLING CHICK	Collins	10/1
	FINGER BOWL	Jelliss	8/1
	MULBERRY RIG	Tidey	100/7
	GOLDEN SCEPTRE	Treacy	100/7
3	EAGERLOON	Dick	7/1
	WASP'S NEST	Forsyth	100/8
	SOUR GRAPES	A. Burns	100/8
3	GRIMALDI	H. Wragg	7/1
	SPORTING CHANCE	Sirett	9/2
	GLAZE WHEEL	Carslake	10/1
0	HAZELEY	Ray	6/1
0	PARAGREEN	Bezant	10/1
	LUCKY TOM	C. Richards	10/1
	CLOCHE D'OR	Fox	8/1
041	SILLY SWAN	T. Burns	7/2
0	DUNCHURCH	G. Richards	5/1
	GRINGALET	S. Donoghue	8/1
04	GIORGIONE	H. Beasley	10/1
	COURTESAN	Kirby	10/1

2.30—COMPTON SELLING HANDICAP. Plate of 200 sovs. (Weights raised 2lb.) About 2 m. 1 f. Age st. lb.
APACHE (Mrs. E. Wallace) ...J. Beary 6 9 0
NORMAN ARROW (Mr. Ellison) Butchers 5 8 11
SPECTROSCOPE (Mr. Collins) G. Bennett a 8 10
EUGENE (Mr. J. H. Gray) ...Bradley 4 8 9
ANCHOR WATCH (Mr. W. Parrish) Bullock 4 8 8
DANDY DENNIS (Mr. Walton) Butchers 6 8 6
BALLYSCANLON (Mr. Hutchinson) Hedges a 8 5
PRARGENT (Mrs. Cornelius) G. L. Ward 4 8 4
FESTUM (Mr. J. Killalee) ...Killalee 6 8 2
FAIR WEATHER JACK (Mr. A. E. Berry) ....F. Morgan a 8 2
RACKSTRAW (Mrs. C. Evans) ...Tabor 4 8 0
BLACK MONDAY (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner 6 7 13
WOLFE TONE (Mr. G. C. Poole) Poole 5 7 13
CATLAP (Mr. J. Reardon) J. Reardon 5 7 12
PLUMADO (Mr. V. Hobbs) ......Hobbs a 7 11
SCIENTIST (Mr. A. Law) ....Law 4 7 11
ROYAL REPOSE (Mrs. B. Brady) Mairs 6 7 10
PARADEISOS (Mr. F. Skeens) Private a 7 9
WHITE WINTER (Mr. Bates) E. Harper 4 7 8
CAROUSAL (Mr. T. Pullen) ...Westlake 4 7 5
STERLING MAIDEN (Mr. G. Todd) Owner 4 7 0
PUN (Mr. P. W. Hyde) ....P. Hyde 5 6 9
TOUNG TONY (Mr. Ainsworth) Owner 3 6 9

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.		Betting Forecast.
300	APACHE	Beary	100/8
040	SPECTROSCOPE	G. Richards	9/2
003	ANCHOR WATCH	P. Donoghue	10/1
202	DANDY DENNIS	Butchers	8/1
040	BALLYSCANLON	Fox	7/1
003	PRARGENT	Sirett	8/1
000	FESTUM	Graves	100/8
200	FAIR WEATHER JACK	R. Morgan	100/8
001	WOLFE TONE	S. Wragg	7/1
634	CATLAP	T. Barber	7/1
000	SCIENTIST	S. Donoghue	8/1
000	ROYAL REPOSE	Kirby	100/8
000	CAROUSAL	Dines	100/8
000	STERLING MAIDEN	A. Burns	5/2

3.10—GREENHAM PLATE of 1,000 sovs. Three-year-olds. 1 m. st. lb.
POMME D'API (H.H. Aga Khan) R. Dawson 9 4
SHERAB (H.H. Aga Khan) ... R. Dawson 9 4
LIGHTNING STAR (Mr. J. B. Leigh) Sneyd 9 4
CONCERTO (Sir H. Owen) .... O. Bell 9 1
ROYAL RUFUS (Mrs. Mackintosh) F. Hartigan 8 13
BERRYDALE (Lord Woolavington) F. Darling 8 13
GLENALMOND (Mr. J. Dewar) F. Darling 8 10
SORDO (Mr. D. M. Gant) .... P. Lowe 8 10
CLEVER PUTT (Mr. Jackson) ... Poulton 8 5
KHYBER PASS (Mr. Sol Joel) .... Earl 8 5
RULAND KOH (H.H. Aga Khan) R. Dawson 8 5
KNOCKSTONE (Brig.-Gen. Lambton) Gilpin 8 5
SKIBBEREEN (Lt.-Col. Giles Loder) Gilpin 8 5
HELL'S BELLS (Mrs. S. Whitburn) Cottrill 8 5
LINK BOY (Mr. W. Singer) .... Lawson 8 5
CONQUEROR (Mr. T. Smith) Templeman 8 5
SHETLAND (Mr. A. Cockrayne) ... East 8 5
CAPTAIN KETTLE (Duke of Westminster) Persse 8 2

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.		Betting Forecast.
030	POMME D'API	Beary	5/1
310	SHERUB	Bartlam	100/7
100	LIGHTNING STAR	R. Jones	4/1
212	CONCERTO	H. Wragg	7/2
212	ROYAL RUFUS	G. Richards	7/1
040	BERRYDALE	Fox	10/1
000	SORDO	Lowrey	100/6
4	KHYBER PASS	Perryman	100/7
000	SKIBBEREEN	Ray	8/1
	KNOCKSTONE	Sirett	100/6
023	HELL'S BELLS	S. Donoghue	10/1
0	LINK BOY	Dick	100/8
040	CONQUEROR	Lane	100/7
	SHELLAND	Herbert	100/6
404	CAPTAIN KETTLE	H. Beasley	10/1

3.45—BECKHAMPTON PLATE of 200 sovs. Two-year-olds. 5 f. st. lb.
WELLINGTON (Lord Glanely) ....Hogg 9 7
ARCHIMANDRITE (Mr. Alexander) Braime 9 0
BON SOLDAT (Mrs. J. Beary) ...J. Beary 9 0
SAFE ROCK (Lord Brougham and Vaux) Pickering 9 0
ROCK SWALLOW C. (Sir W. Cooke) Read 9 0
HOIHU RA (Mr. B. Davis) ......B. Davis 9 0
BOB (Mr. E. Gwilt) ....Gwilt 9 0
BACHELOR'S MELODY C. (Mrs. W. Hyde) Gwilt 9 0
ACIDION (Mr. G. A. D. Taylor) ......Hobbs 9 0
HAT GUARD (Brig.-Gen. Tomkinson) Cottrill 9 0
SPECULATION (Sir H. de Trafford) Pope 9 0
YEN (Mrs. Edgar Wallace) ......J. Beary 9 0
BALLYHOO (Mr. H. S. Watson) Westlake 9 0
SABIAN (Mrs. S. Whitburn) ....Cottrill 9 0
LEMANRYE (Capt. Wills) ....Bruce 9 0
FLECHIER (Mr. J. M. Woodville) ...Sneyd 9 0
PALM BRANCH (His Majesty) W. Jarvis 8 11
PITFOUR (Maj. H. T. Barclay) ...Braime 8 11
FORSYTHIA (Lady Cresham) ...S. Darling 8 11
MARDINA (Mr. F. H. W. Cundell) Cundell 8 11
CONSTELLATION F. (Sir H. Owen) O. Bell 8 11
ELEMENT F. (Sir H. Owen) ......O. Bell 8 11
VALEDA F. (Sir H. Owen) ....O. Bell 8 11
CLAYMORE (Mr. F. Darling) ....Owner 8 11
HIAWAGA G. (Mrs. C. Davison) Templeman 8 11
GRECIAN LILY (Mrs. Dawson) R. Dawson 8 11
TRACEMOND (Mr. J. A. Dewar) F. Darling 8 11
MISS FITZ (Mrs. D.-Pennant) D.-Pennant 8 11
HIGHLIGHT (Mr. E. Esmond) ...J. Jarvis 8 11
SAGUSTO (Mr. D. M. Gant) ......P. Lowe 8 11
KENTISH MIST (Mr. J. Gaskell) ...Gwilt 8 11
WATCHMATE (Lord Glanely) ....Hogg 8 11
KRASKA (Mr. J. W. Harvie) ...Templeman 8 11
SYRUP (Mr. C. E. Howard) ....Higgs 8 11
ALEXA F. (Mrs. W. Hyde) ....Gwilt 8 11
FLORAL MARCH (Mr. H. Johnstone) Wilmot 8 11
BECTI (H.H. Aga Khan) ....R. Dawson 8 11
LOFTINE (Mr. H. Liddell) ....V. Smyth 8 11
APPLE CHARLOTTE (Sir C. McLeod) Higgs 8 11
MANNERLESS (Mr. J. B. Muir) ...Wilmot 8 11
MILTONA (Mr. D. Nicoll) ....Private 8 11
YOUNG LAVINIA (Duke of Norfolk) Gilpin 8 11
HAZY DAWN F. (Mrs. C. Rich) W. Nightingall 8 11
ZOUAVE (Mr. A. de Rothschild) T. Cannon 8 11
ST. GEORGE'S QUEEN G. (Mr. J. Russell) Russell 8 11
MARADANA (M. E. de St. Alary) Gilpin 8 11
PSALTERY (Lord Shaftesbury) ......Martin 8 11
REFRAIN (Mrs. E. Spottiswoode) Macnee 8 11
TAR WOOD (Mr. H. C. Sutton) ...Gooch 8 11
NORTON ROSE (Mr. Thompson) F. Hartigan 8 11
CYMORETTE F. (Mrs. G. Whitelaw) Whitelaw 8 11
LAMBLING (Mr. J. H. Whitney) Boyd-Rochfort 8 11
EMPTY GLASS F. (Sir E. Wills) Nugent 8 11
BRITISH QUEEN (Mr. F. W. Wilmot) Gwilt 8 11
BLACK FROST (Lt.-Col. M. Wingfield) Pope 8 11

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.		Betting Forecast.
4	WELLINGTON	G. Richards	11/2
	ARCHIMANDRITE	S. Wragg	20/1
21	HOIHU RA	Dobie	9/2
	BACHELOR'S MELODY C.	Childs	100/6
	ACIDION	J. Leach	100/8
0	SPECULATION	Jelliss	7/1
	BALLYHOO	Westlake	100/6
	SABIAN	S. Donoghue	100/8
	FLECHIER	R. Jones	10/1
	BOB	Sirett	8/1
	PITFOUR	H. Beasley	7/1
	MARDINA	Tidey	100/6
	CONSTELLATION F.	Graves	20/1
	ELEMENT F.	R. Wragg	100/8
	VALEDA F.	A. Wragg	20/1
	CLAYMORE	Fox	10/1
	GRECIAN LILY	Bartlam	20/1
	TRACEMOND	Wells	20/1
	MISS FITZ	C. Richards	100/6
	HIGH LIGHT	L. Hobbs	100/6
	SAGUSTO	Lowrey	100/7
	SYRUP	Herbert	20/1
	FLORAL MARCH	G. Barber	20/1
	BECTI	Beary	10/1
	APPLE CHARLOTTE	Weston	100/6
	MANNERLESS	T. Brown	20/1
	HAZY DAWN F.	Dick	100/8
	ZOUAVE	Perryman	10/1
	ST. GEORGE'S QUEEN G.	Forsyth	100/6
	MARADANA	Ray	7/1
	PSALTERY	I. Martin	20/1
	TAR WOOD	Lane	20/1
	NORTON ROSE	T. Burns	100/8
	CYMORETTE F.	Collins	20/1
	EMPTY GLASS F.	Kirby	10/1

4.15—BERKSHIRE HANDICAP PLATE of 500 sovs. (Weights raised 1lb.) Three-year-olds. 7 f. st. lb.
THE LEOPARD (Sir Charles Hyde) Scobie 9 0
POSTABIT (Mr. A. Whalley) ....Whalley 8 7
DAYBOY (Mr. B. Davis) ....B. Davis 8 7
COR DE CHASSE (Mr. E. A. Wigan) Braime 8 6
CRESSET (Lord Portman) ...Farquharson 8 3
UNCO GUID (Mr. A. H. Steckley) M. Marsh 8 3
MARTEN'S TOWER (Mr. Lysaght) B. Jarvis 8 2
ALLEGRO (Mr. E. Prichard) F. Hartigan 8 1
BLANDEARNA (Sir Abe Bailey) ...R. Day 8 0
CODICIL (Mrs. C. Glorney) ....Sneyd 8 0
CREME BRULEE (Lord Astro) ...Lawson 7 13
PSALM (M. M. Calmann) ....Lawson 7 10
HURSTBOURNE (Mr. H. Braime) Braime 7 9
GOLDEN DEW (Mr. H. Smyth) H. Smyth 7 8
BEDRAGGLED (Sir Abe Bailey) ...Cottrill 7 7
PITTER PATTER (Mr. Macomber) S. Darling 7 7
JERICHO (Mr. M. E. Fitzgerald) J. Anthony 7 5
CONQUEROR (Mr. T. Smith) ... Templeman 7 5
TREMINNIE (Sir A. Butt) Frank Butters 7 4
BOY PAINTER (Mrs. Bendir) M. Hartigan 7 3
FLY ALONE (Mr. V. Biggs) Farquharson 6 12

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.		Betting Forecast.
001	POSTABIT	Brennan	8/1
000	DAYBOY	Dobie	10/1
100	COR DE CHASSE	Lane	100/8
213	CRESSET	Beary	6/1
003	MARTEN'S TOWER ...	S. Donoghue	5/1
210	UNCO GUID	Field	100/8
100	ALLEGRO	H. Wragg	100/8
400	CODICIL	E. Smith	100/8
300	CREME BRULEE	Sirett	100/8
000	HURSTBOURNE	S. Wragg	10/1
110	GOLDEN DEW	T. Barber	7/2
040	BEDRAGGLED	Weston	8/1
030	PITTER PATTER	G. Richards	10/1
000	JERICHO	Dines	10/1
040	CONQUEROR	Fox	10/1
003	BOY PAINTER	C. Richards	6/1
042	TREMINNIE	T. McCaffery	5/1
000	FLY ALONE	A. Burns	100/8

4.45—CHIEVELEY HANDICAP STAKES of 3 sovs. each. 5 f. Age st. lb.
OAK RIDGE (Mr. F. H. W. Cundell) Cundell a 9 7
EARLY CLOSING (Ld. Portman) Farquharson 4 8 10
TO YOU (Mr. J. Shepherd)...De Mestre 5 8 4
GOLDEN KING (Mr. F. Hartigan) Owner 6 8 3
BOSSI (Mr. A. C. Scott)...........Macnee 4 7 9
ANDY (Mr. H. G. Blagrave)...Blagrave a 7 6
THE DOMINIE (Sir E. Findlay) Persse 4 7 4
VENSKYE (Mr. R. Farquharson) Owner 4 7 3
OSCULATOR (Mr. A. E. Berry) M. Hartigan 4 7 2
RENT (Mr. C. Lund) ....Beedle 4 7 1
POLYPHONTA (Lady Henderson) Sneyd 4 7 0
EASTRIDGE (Sir E. Wills)......Nugent 6 6 12
RED QUEEN (Mr. G. C. Sneyd) Sneyd 5 6 11
DAYBOY (Mr. B. Davis)......B. Davis 3 6 10
WESTERNER (7lb. ex.) (Mrs. V. Emanuel) ....Duller 3 7 2
ENYO (Mr. W. G. Lang)...Farquharson 3 6 9
RIALTO BRIDGE (Sir E. Wills) Nugent 6 6 8
PENTILLA (Mr. R. C. Dawson) R. Dawson 4 6 7

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.		Betting Forecast.
013	OAK RIDGE	H. Beasley	7/1
011	EARLY CLOSING	Beary	4/1
000	TO YOU	Ray	100/8
000	GOLDEN KING	G. Richards	6/1
344	BOSSI	Dines	10/1
000	ANDY	R. Morgan	100/7
000	THE DOMINIE	Robertson	10/1
424	VENSKYE	Sirett	8/1
000	OSCULATOR	C. Richards	10/1
21	WESTERNER	Weston	7/2
034	POLYPHONTA	F. Smith	10/1
210	EASTRIDGE	E. Evans	8/1
002	RED QUEEN	Lightfoot	10/1
000	DAYBOY	Gethin	7/1
142	ENYO	A. Burns	10/1
300	RIALTO BRIDGE	A. Berry	100/8
010	PENTILLA	Bartlam	10/1

FORM HORSES.

2. 0—Silly Swan.
2.30—Spectroscope (nap).
3.10—Concerto.
3.45—Hoihu Ra.
4.15—Cresset.
4.45—Venskye.

Eclipse.

COUNTY GALWAY ("THE BLAZERS") POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Will take place at GURRANES, One Mile from Tuam, On THURSDAY, the 16th day of APRIL, 1931, Over a fair Hunting Course (all grass). Distance about four miles.

THE SLIGO CUP. Challenge Cup and £20, presented by Lady Sligo, added to a sweepstake of £2. The second to receive half the sweep.
OPEN LADIES' RACE. Silver Cup and sweep of £2. The first receives two-thirds and the second one-third of the sweep. To be ridden by ladies.
WELTER HUNT CUP.
LIGHT-WEIGHT HUNT CUP.
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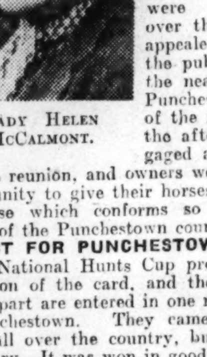


Mr. O'Brien gives a helping hand when Mr. L. Hayes's horse, Scotch and Soda, comes to grief in the Huntsman's Race at Powerstown Park yesterday.

A POPULAR MEETING.

BIG CROWD WATCH RACING AT POWERSTOWN PARK.

The opening meeting of the season at Powerstown Park attracted a splendid attendance; in fact, it was one of the biggest crowds seen on the course at any meeting, and was a further example of how the management cater for the tastes of patrons. There was no outstanding race; the programme was confined entirely to steeplechasing and one hurdle race, but the fact that there were several races over the bank course appealed strongly to the public in view of the near approach of Punchestown. Most of the runners during the afternoon are engaged also at the big Kildare reunion, and owners were glad of the opportunity to give their horses a gallop over a course which conforms so much to the nature of the Punchestown country.



LADY HELEN McCALMONT.

A TEST FOR PUNCHESTOWN.

The National Hunts Cup provided the big attraction of the card, and the nine hunters taking part are entered in one race or another at Punchestown. They came from various hunts all over the country, but mostly from Tipperary. It was won in good style by Lady Helen McCalmont's Greek Princess, ridden by Mr. M. Barry. Martini II., from the Meath country, a winner of several point-to-point races, one of the best fancied horses in the race, was early out of the fray through falling at the first bank. Greek Princess was always travelling well, and once she was sent into the lead, about three-quarters of a mile from home, she never afterwards left the issue in doubt. While she beat nothing of account, her win was of an impressive kind, and was very popular with the local people. She is a half-sister to that good steeplechaser, Jerpoint.

AN OBJECTION SUSTAINED.

After Sabre Lad won the Kildare Maiden Hurdle race by four lengths from Vale of Avoca, odds were immediately laid on the second horse to get the race. The pair came together going over the second last hurdle, and Vale of Avoca suffered badly by the *contretemps*, and it did not take the Stewards many minutes to decide the objection for bumping which followed. They awarded the race to Vale of Avoca, which was what nine out of ten of the onlookers anticipated would be their decision.

A JOCKEY REPORTED.

Greenly Island, who had shown useful form on the flat, made a promising *début* over the country when winning the Leinster Steeplechase in facile style from Icicle and Anakim. Sergeant Grischa and Blue Smoke II. never flattered in the race. The Huntsman's Plate, another maiden steeplechase, was won in equally easy style by Miss L. Kelly's Irish Light. During the course of this race Second House and Waterlass came into collision, and subsequently the Stewards called upon J. Crickmere, the rider of the former, for an explanation as to his riding. Having heard his evidence and that of Mr. M. Barry, the rider of Waterlass, and Mr. P. F. Cannon, the starter, the Stewards suspended Crickmere for the remainder of the meeting and reported him to the Stewards of the I.N.H.S. Committee.

FLUSH OF DAWN AGAIN.

Flush of Dawn followed up her recent Limerick success by winning the Connaught Plate from a moderate lot of horses. She made all the running and won with a good bit in hand. J. Lombard's stable also provided a strong favourite in Gentle Lady for the Munster Steeplechase, but a bad mistake three-quarters of a mile from home spoiled her chance. Princess Mir met with interference at the same stage and came to grief, and then in a good finish Olympian wore down Wild Edgar to win a bit comfortably. Details:—

2.40—THE KILDARE MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 50 sovs. 1m. 6f.
Mrs. M. A. Valentine's br. g. VALE OF AVOCA, by Cygnus—Oakvale, 4, 10-7 P. Fitzgerald 1
Mr. T. Waters's MAY TURN, 4, 10-7 J. Canty 2
Mr. P. J Corbett's SAINT SENAN, a, 11-7 C. M'Carthy 3
Mr. H. M. Ryan's Safety Act, a, 10-6 Sir E. Goff 0
Mr. M. Cunningham's Brian, a, 10-6 ...J. Hurley 0
Captain R. H. Smyth's Guardrail, 5, 10-10 W. T. O'Grady 0
Captain H. de Burgh's Deirdre, 5, 10-10 J. M'Neill 0
Mr. J. Archdeacon's North Cork, 4, 9-11 M. Farrissey 0
Mr. P. Cash's Longtown Lass, 4, 10-2 A. M'Carthy 0
Mr. J. T. Purcell's The Right Knight, 4, 10-2 J. Gleeson 0
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's Sabre, 4, 10-2 C. O'Connor (disq.)
(Winner trained by W. W. Ashe.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. Sabre, 3 to 1 each VALE OF AVOCA, and May Turn, 10 to 1 North Cork, 20 to 1 Saint Senan, 50 to 1 Deirdre and Guardrail, 100 to 1 any other.
Tote Prices—Win, 6/6; places 3/-, 3/6, 4/6. Pool totals—Win, 424; places, 598.
On settling down Vale of Avoca led from Sabre, May Turn, Saint Senan and North Cork, with Deirdre for three-quarters of a mile, when Vale of Avoca and Sabre were clear of the others, with May Turn next. At the second last fence Sabre took the lead, and, drawing clear of Vale of Avoca, won by four lengths; one and a half lengths. Saint Senan fourth, North Cork fifth, and Deirdre sixth.
An objection by the rider of Vale of Avoca against Sabre for bumping was upheld and the race awarded to Vale of Avoca. Saint Senan was placed third.

3.0—THE LEINSTER PLATE of 50 sovs. A weight-for-age steeplechase. 2m. 2f.
Mr. E. Wallace's b. g. GREENLY ISLAND, by Loch Lomond—Gaiety, 5, 11-5 Mr. T. M'Carthy 1
Mrs. A. Masters's ICICLE, 6, 11-10 Mr. H. J. Delmege 2
Captain H. de Burgh's ANAKIM, 4, 10-0 J. McNeill 3
Mr. R. M'Grath's Sandeman II., 6, 11-5 J. Crickmore 0
Mr. D. Meagher's Grist of the Mill, a, 11-10 J. Gleeson 0
Mr. D. Noonan's Blue Smoke II., 6, 11-10 S. Regan 0
Mr. J. A. B. Trench's Sergeant Grischa, 6, 11-10 Mr. T. Nugent 0
Mr. C. Ryan's Society, 5, 11-5 M. T. V. Ryan 0
Mrs. W. Smyth's Lilroy, 5, 11-5 ...W. O'Grady 0
Mr. J. Archdeacon's Bosstoon, 5, 11-0 M. Farrissey 0
(Winner trained by Keays.)
Betting—3 to 1 each agst. Sergeant Grischa and Blue Smoke II., 4 to 1 Icicle, 6 to 1 Society, 10 to 1 each GREENLY ISLAND, Anakim and Lilroy, 50 to 1 Bosstoon, 100 to 1 any other.
Tote Prices—Win, 21/-; places 4/-, 3/6, 12/6. Pool totals—Win, 391; places, 629.
Society made the running for half a mile, followed by Sandeman II., Lilroy, Grist of the Mill and Icicle, with Bosstoon last, when Greenly Island took the lead, with Society, Icicle, Sandeman II. and Anakim next. A mile from home Lilroy was eased up, and a little further on Bosstoon and Sandeman II. fell, and Greenly Island, holding Icicle at bay, won easily by two lengths; ten lengths. Society fourth, Blue Smoke II. fifth, and Grist of the Mill sixth.

3.30—NATIONAL HUNTS CUP, value 200 sovs. and 100 sovs. in specie. A weight for age steeplechase. 3¼m. over the Punchestown Course.
Lady Helen M'Calmont's gr. m. GREEK PRINCESS, by Prince Philip—Mithois, a, 12-7 Mr. M. Barry 1
Capt. H. de Burgh's ROYAL GRIP, a, 12-9 Mr. P. Sleator 2
Mr. A. Humphrey's HEARTY LAD, a, 12-7 Mr. T. McCarthy 3
Sir T. Ainsworth's Cyclone Billy, a, 12-7 Mr. T. Nugent 0
Mr. T. W. Barry's Plain Biddy, a, 12-2 Mr. P. Stakelum 0
Mrs. E. D. Cullinan's Martini II., 6, 12-2 Mr. O. H. M'Ardle 0
Mr. J. G. Fitzgerald's Top Knot, a, 12-2...Owner 0
Mr. J. Noonan's Rosameen, a, 12-2 Mr. C. Montgomery 0
(Winner trained by M. Barry.)
Betting—4 to 1 each agst. Rosameen, Martini II., and Cyclone Billy, 6 to 1 each GREEK PRINCESS, Hearty Lad, and Plain Biddy, 8 to 1 each Royal Grip and Top Knot, 33 to 1 New Prospect.
Tote Prices—Win, 17/6; places, 4/6, 10/6, 4/6. Pool totals—Win, 384; places, 661.
Martini II. fell at the first bank, but was remounted, and went on in pursuit of Royal Grip, Cyclone Billy, New Prospect, Hearty Lad and Plain Biddy, with Greek Princess last. At the half way stage Rosameen was followed by Plain Biddy, Top Knot, Hearty Lad, Cyclone Billy and Royal Grip, with New Prospect and Greek Princess the last pair, Martini II. being eased up. Entering the straight for home, Greek Princess came on from Royal Grip and Hearty Lad, to win by fifteen lengths; one length. Cyclone Billy was fourth.

4.0—THE HUNTSMAN'S PLATE of 50 sovs. A maiden steeplechase. 2½m. over the Punchestown Course.
Miss L. Kelly's b. g. IRISH LIGHT, by Irishman—St. George's Light, 6, 11-10 W. T. O'Grady 1
Mr. W. E. Coghlan's Second House, 5, 11-0 J. Crickmore 2
Mr. T. P. Hutchinson's WATERLASS, a, 11-10 Mr. M. Barry 3
Mr. J. A. Delany's Dauntless Dick, a, 11-5 Mr. P. Hannigan 0
Mr. L. Hayes' Scotch and Soda, a, 11-5..Owner 0
Mr. J. Hyde's Auld Glory, a, 11-5 Mr. D. D. Hyde 0
Mrs. J. Lynch's Lady Ortho, 5, 11-5 Mr. T. McCarthy 0
(Winner trained by Kelly.)
Betting—Evens Second House, 3 to 1 agst. IRISH LIGHT, 7 to 2 Waterlass, 10 to 1 Lady Ortho, 20 to 1 Dauntless Dick, 50 to 1 any other.
Tote Prices—Win, 8/-; places, 2/6, 3/-. Pool totals—Win, 471; places, 576.
Waterlass settled down from Irish Light, Lady Ortho, Auld Glory, and Dauntless Dick, with Scotch and Soda last. Three-quarters of a mile from home Lady Ortho fell, and Second House went on from Irish Light, Waterlass, and Auld Glory, with Dauntless Dick next, until approaching the straight, when Irish Light headed Second House, to win by twenty lengths; twenty-five lengths. Auld Glory was fourth, and Dauntless Dick fifth.

4.30—THE CONNAUGHT PLATE of 50 sovs. An open weight-for-age steeplechase. 3¼ m., over the Punchestown course.
Mr. P. Coll's br. m. FLUSH OF DAWN, by Wavelet's Boy, dam by Toussaint, a, 11-12 M. Farrissey 1
Mr. C. Blackmore's BIDDY, a., 10-9 Mr. P. Hannigan 2
Captain T. J. Wilson's MERRIWAY, a., 10-9 Mr. P. Sleator 3
Mr. E. Cunningham's Some View, a., 12-6 Mr. T. M'Carthy 0
Mr. W. Dwyer's Ronald Roy, a., 12-3 Mr. T. Nugent 0
Mr. W. Dwyer's Loch Neil, 6, 10-9 ......Owner 0
Mr. T. W. Barry's Devil's Bit, 5, 11-7 Sir E. Goff 0
Mr. J. O'Brien's Hudson's Folly, 6, 11-0 Mr. C. Montgomery 0
(Winner trained by J. Lombard.)
Betting—6 to 4 FLUSH OF DAWN, 4 to 1 Merriway and Devil's Bit, 6 to 1 Biddy and Some View, 10 to 1 Ronald Roy, 50 to 1 any other.
Tote prices—Win, 6/-; places, 3/-, 3/6, 5/6. Pool totals—Win, 417; places, 834.
Devil's Bit fell at the second bank, and Flush of Dawn cut out the work from Loch Neil, Ronald Roy, Some View, and Merriway. There was little change till about three-quarters of a mile from home, when Flush of Dawn and Biddy were well clear of the others, of whom Merriway and Hudson's Folly were the leaders, and, retaining the lead, Flush of Dawn won easily by 12 lengths; a bad third. Hudson's Folly was fourth and Some View fifth.

5.0—THE MUNSTER PLATE of 50 sovs. A handicap steeplechase. 3 m.
Mr. J. Toppin's b. g. OLYMPIAN, by Athlone—Courcelette, 5, 11-12 ......Mr. A. McCarthy 1
Mr. M. M'Grath's WILD EDGAR, a, 11-0 Mr. T. McCarthy 2
Mr. M. C. Ryan's VENOSA'S FIRST, a., 9-2 (carr. 9-8) ....P. Carey 3
Lady Helen McCalmont's Princess Mir, 6, 11-0 Mr. M. Barry 0
Mr. J. M. P. Kennedy's Silver Threads, 5, 10-11 T. Cullen 0
Mr. C. Ryan's Fatherland, a., 10-9 Mr. T. V. Ryan 0
Mr. J. Gleeson's Let Me Go, a, 10-0 S. Regan 0
Mrs. J. Lombard's Gentle Lady, a., 9-2 M. Farrissey 0
(Winner trained by McCarthy.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. Gentle Lady, 4 to 1 Silver Threads and Princess Mir, 5 to 1 OLYMPIAN, 7 to 1 Fatherland, 10 to 1 Let Me Go, 20 to 1 any other.
Tote prices—Win, 15/-; places, 6/-, 10/-, 10/6. Pool totals—Win, 633; places, 957.
Gentle Lady made the running from Let Me Go, Silver Threads, Venosa's First and Fatherland, with Olympian last. Three-quarters of a mile from home Princess Mir fell and Gentle Lady blundered, and Olympian, drawing clear of Wild Edgar and Venosa's First, won by four lengths; ten lengths. Fatherland was fourth and Gentle Lady fifth.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Newbury Spring Cup—Lucky Tor, at 12.9 p.m. yesterday.
Catterick Bridge Engagements—Precedence, Glengubble, Shereef.
Beaufort Hunt Cup—Clonlisk.
Beaufort Hunt Meeting Engagements—Mighty Chance.
All engagements in Major Newland Hillas's name—Stripanatit.
All Engagements—Friar's Choice (dead), Sayan, Roral, Flora Temple c. (three years).

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Sketch:—Double — Pomme d'Api (nap) and Treminnie.

GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

TABOR'S DOUBLE.

CLAUDINE SCORES EASILY.

TRITONIA FAILS.

From Our Travelling Correspondent.
WARWICK, Thursday Night.

Rain during the night rendered the going soft for the concluding day of the Warwick Meeting, but it was not bad enough to prevent horses meeting their engagements. Victor Tabor, the Epsom trainer, completed a nice double when winning the Leamington Plate with Claudine, for on the opening day he was responsible for the Warwick Spring Handicap winner, Little Blackbird. Claudine accounted for a hot favourite in Mallock, who had run well in the race won by Insurance at Kempton Park, and had Gordon Richards as his pilot.

Well though he ran, Mallock could never get to grips with Claudine, who dashed into the lead as the barrier was released, and, going a good gallop throughout, was never headed. Claudine, who won the opening race at Lincoln last year, was purchased by Mrs. Evans for 830 guineas after subsequently winning at Lingfield, and this was her first success since. Judging by her performance on this occasion, she has improved considerably since last season.

SOLFEGGIO WINS EASILY.

Anticipations that Miss Dorothy Paget would supplement Solanum's victory at at Manchester by winning the Debdale Amateur Riders' Plate with Eileandonan were not realised. The gelding, ridden by Mr. Sclater, gave a sorry performance and, dropping back at half-way, finished last. The race was won in runaway fashion by Solfeggio, ridden by Mr. Frogley. The gelding had won a selling race on this course last November, and apparently has improved since, for after taking the lead entering the straight he drew away to win by as far as his jockey wished. Lights o' London, ridden by his owner, Lord Carnarvon, made a promising effort after making the turn for home, but fell away after Solfeggio had drawn out.

Gordon Richards broke his losing spell and reached his fourteenth winner of the season when steering Peggy to victory in the Grove Park Plate. His mount was not favourite, that position in the market being held by the Nottingham winner Tritonia. Agility in leaving the gate probably accounted for Peggy beating the favourite; for the winner was quick to take up the running, and the advantage she gained in the early stages enabled her to hold off the challenge of Tritonia. Whatever chance Simarre filly may have had disappeared at the start, for she was badly left and tailed off throughout.

TABOR AGAIN.

Backers wound up well when making Castle Martin favourite for the Milverton Plate; for, improving on his Nottingham form, Mr. P. W. Carr's horse got the best of an interesting finish with O.T.C. and The Ring. Silverlee, who was well backed to beat the favourite, was never going well, and was in a hopeless position half-way up the straight. R. Dick rode a perfectly-timed finish on Castle Martin, coming with a strong run from below the distance to get up near home.

Sunny Amy, who was a hot favourite for the Hatton Selling Plate, had no chance with Discus, a colt owned by Mr. R. L. V. Sherwood, who made all the running to gain a very easy victory. Mr. Sherwood would derive additional pleasure from the success of Discus, in that he owns the sire, Black Gauntlet, whose stock have done so well of late. Still another favourite to fail was Irony in the Harbury Selling Plate. She had every chance had she been good enough, but was unable to keep the lead which she took up after rounding the bend for home, and was beaten out of a place, Rima filly winning easily from Might Surprise.

SELECTIONS.

The Greenham Plate at Newbury to-morrow will introduce us again to a few of the three-year-olds which we shall see running in the classic races. The best of them may be the Aga Khan's colt POMME d'API. There will be the usual big field for the Beckhampton Plate, which may be won by SPECULATION. For the Chieveley Handicap I like best the chance of the Nottingham winner, WESTERNER

GALTEE MORE.

WARWICK RESULTS.

2.0—DEBDALE PLATE of 150 sovs. 1 m. 3 f.
Mr. H. Lester's b. g. SOLFEGGIO, by Soldennis—F Sharp, 4, 11-0 ......Mr. H. Frogley 1
Mr. G. H. Bostwick's BURGLAR, 4, 11-10 Mr. A. Bostwick 2
Lord Carnarvon's LIGHTS O' LONDON, a, 11-13 Owner 3
Also ran:—Eileandonan (Mr. Sclater), Carabas (Mr. A. Cottrill), Orange Tip (Major Bowes). Off 2.2. (Winner trained by G. Todd.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. Eileandonan, 7 to 2 Burglar, 4 to 1 SOLFEGGIO, 8 to 1 each Lights o' London and Carabas, 100 to 6 Orange Tip.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 12/3; places, 4/8, 3/9. Win pool total, 2885 units; place pool total, 1662 units.
Won by eight lengths; two lengths. Carabas was fourth and Eileandonan last.

2.30—HATTON SELLING PLATE of 150 sovs. Three years old. 1 m.
Mr. R. Sherwood's b. c. DISCUS, by Black Gauntlet—Square Talk, 8-4 ...R. Perryman 1
Mr. L. E. Cribbin's SUNNY AMY, 8-8 G. Richards 2
Mr. H. Johnstone's HAAKON, 7-10 T. V. Brown 3
Also ran:—Arolla (F. Fox), Golden Shower (J. Sirett), Salmon Cast (J. Edwards). Off 2.32. (Winner trained by Beedle.)
Betting—11 to 10 agst. Sunny Amy, 4 to 1 DISCUS, 6 to 1 Golden Shower, 7 to 1 Arolla, 8 to 1 Haakon, 100 to 6 Salmon Cast.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 8/4; places, 2/10, 2/6. Win pool total, 3062 units; place pool total, 2485 units.
Won by eight lengths; one length. Arolla was fourth and Salmon Cast last.
The winner was sold to Mr. S. Wootton for 260 gns.

3.0—LEAMINGTON PLATE of 300 sovs. 1m. 2f.
Mrs. C. Evans's ch. m. CLAUDINE, by Dominion—Churrucha, 5, 7-10 ....J. Sirett 1
Mr. E. G. Gregory's MALLOCK, 5, 8-2 G. Richards 2
Mr. F. de Moleyns's GRANDFLIGHT, a, 9-0 F. Lane *
Mr. W. Charters's LION'S LAIR, 8-11 R. Perryman *
Also ran:—War Mist (S. Donoghue), Hightide IV. (F. Fox), Richelieu II. (E. Forsyth), Pommadin (C. Richards), Silvoro (A. Burns), Sir Solomon (E. Smith), Pounce (J. Dines). *Dead heat for third place. Off 3.2. (Winner trained by Tabor.)
Betting—9 to 4 agst. Mallock, 4 to 1 Pommadin, 9 to 2 CLAUDINE, 6 to 1 Hightide IV., 100 to 8 each War Mist and Grandflight, 100 to 6 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 11/6; places, 4/0, 3/2, 5/6 Grandflight, 3/11 Lion's Lair. Win pool total, 5579 units; place pool total, 4918 units.
Won by five lengths; one and a half lengths. Hightide IV. was fifth and Richelieu II. last.

3.30—HARBURY SELLING PLATE of 150 sovs. Two years old. 5 f.
Mr. C. P. Kirk's RIMA F., by Obliterate, 8-6 C. Richards 1
Mr. H. J. Brueton's MIGHT SURPRISE, 8-6 R. Perryman 2
Sir R. Bonsor's MARITIZZI F., 8-6...S. Donoghue 3
Also ran—Silver Trophy (M. Beary), Irony (G. Richards), Phantom Georgie g. (R. Dick), Belle Ile (F. Fox), Hatshepsut F. (F. Lane)
Off 3.31. (Winner trained by Kirk.)
Betting—7 to 4 agst. Irony, 3 to 1 Silver Trophy, 6 to 1 RIMA F., 7 to 1 Maritozzi f., 100 to 7 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 19/9; places, 5/10, 5/4, 5/6. Win pool total, 4,286 units; place pool total, 3,721 units.
Won by a length and a half; one length. Irony was fourth and Silver Trophy last.

4.0—GROVE PARK PLATE of 200 sovs. Two years old. 5 f.
Mr. G. F. X. Hartigan's b. f. PEGGY, by Friar Marcus—Greased Lightning, 8-9...G. Richards 1
Mr. A. de Rothschild's TRITONIA, 9-2 R. Perryman 2
Mr. H. Smyth's GREEN APPLE, 8-9 R. Smyth 3
Also ran—Mollusca c. (G. Barber), Tormaid c. (F. Fox), Eagerness c. (R. Dick), Simarre f. (R. A. Jones), Frascati (C. Richards), Euphemia (S. Donoghue), Homeric f. (A. Wragg).
Off 4.2. (Winner trained by M. Hartigan.)
Betting—15 to 8 agst. Tritonia, 3 to 1 PEGGY, 5 to 1 Green Apple, 8 to 1 each Homeric and Simarre f., 10 to - Tormaid c., 100 to 6 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 7/10; places, 3/3, 2/10, 7/1. Win pool total, 6,457 units; place pool total, 6,193 units.
Won by a length; same. Eagerness c. was fourth and Simarre f. last.

4.30—MILVERTON PLATE of 200 sovs. Three years old. 1 m.
Mr. P. W. Carr's ch. c. CASTLE MARTIN, by Haverswood—Lavina, 9-0 ....R. Dick 1
Mr. M. Molloy's O.T.C., 8-2 ....J. Brennan 2
Mr. E. H. Gregory's THE RING, 8-4 R. Perryman 3
Also ran—Minstrel (C. Richards), Firouze Rance (M. Beary), Pretty Obvious (G. Richards), Roebuck (K. Robertson), Fearnan (F. Herbert), Silverlee (E. Smith)
Off 4.32. (Winner trained by Tabor.)
Betting—5 to 2 agst. CASTLE MARTIN, 3 to 1 Silverlee, 6 to 1 O.T.C., 7 to 1 each Minstrel and Pretty Obvious, 10 to 1 Firouze Ranee, 100 to 6 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 5/3; places, 3/-, 5/1, 8/2. Win pool total, 5,350 units; place pool total, 3,991 units.
Won by a short head; a length and a half. Minstrel was fourth and Fearnan last.
TOTALISATOR DAILY DOUBLE.—Claudine and Rima f. Dividend, £46 16/-. Pool, £520. 10 winning tickets.

Newbury Cup Scratching.

The Clerk of the Course at Newbury states that Lion Hearted has been struck out of the Newbury Spring Cup. Song of Essex is a doubtful starter.

All Barley Used is Grown in Ireland
POWER'S
"Three Swallow"
WHISKEY
GUARANTEED OVER 7 YEARS OLD.

Gossip from Newmarket.

Headquarters Horses with Chances at Newbury To-day.

NEWMARKET, Thursday.

The best work this morning took place on the racecourse side, and Admiral Beatty watched Major Beatty's team at work. Debonair, Boy Bachelor and Fomme d'Argent (Stephenson) were subjected to a good stripped seven furlongs gallop. It was a good spin from end to end, and the trio went well. Boy Bachelor is the only won which did not win a race last season. Debonair won twice and Pomme d'Argent scored on one occasion. They have wintered so well that I expect each of them to win races for the Phantom House establishment.

ORATORIUM TO BE NOTED.

I have previously mentioned that at this period last year Twelfth Night displayed his best form. Ridden by Stephenson he was accompanied by Oratorium (Parson) and Diocletian (Perryman) in a good five furlongs spin. Oratorium showed good speed, and I recommend that he be made a note of for his early engagements.

R. J. Colling gave Cat o' Nine Tails, Fireaway and Captain King, at intervals, smart five furlong gallops. They have each been seen in public this season, and failed, but as the season progresses they will return to form. It was not surprising that Cat o' Nine Tails failed in the Lincolnshire; for, as I have previously explained, he does not come to hand until the season is far advanced. I shall ever be of the opinion that we did not see the best of him in last year's Cambridgeshire.

Hamshaw was busy with his Newbury Cup representative, Accra, who had George Washington and Vizlama for companions in a good stripped mile spin. Mr. A. J. Redmond's four-year-old ran better in the Lincolnshire than his position at the finish would suggest, and as the race has benefitted him, and he can be ridden by a strong pilot, he will make a better show on Saturday than he did at Lincoln.

BLUE DON'S GOOD GALLOP.

Hogg subjected Blue Don to a rousing pace gallop of one mile and a half. We did not see the best of him at Lincoln, but it was policy to give this lazy son of Blue Ensign a race, and the work he has had in the meantime will benefit him considerably for the Thatcham Long Distance Handicap at Newbury on Saturday, and it will be remembered that Lord Glanely's representative won over exactly the same distance on this track last October.

Lord and Lady Rosebery were present and witnessed J. Jarvis give Hephæstus, The Niche, Haste Away, Larking and Buoyant Bachelor a good pace gallop of one mile and a half. The only race the last-named won last year was the Summer Handicap here on the July Course, but he should pay his way this season.

NEWBURY FANCIES.

We will not have many runners at Newbury to-morrow, but two maiden three-year-olds in Khyber Pass and

SKIBBEREEN

will run for the Greenham Plate, and Skibbereen should gain place honours.

I dare say our juveniles for the Beckhampton Plate will drop across some useful ones from the provincial stables. Forsythia, Maradana, Young Lavinia and Highlight will be making their first appearance, while

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on the other hand, ran well at Liverpool, and the outing and good gallops since have done him good. He has my vote.

If we go strictly on their juvenile form, there is little to choose between Martens Tower and Pitter Patter for the Berkshire Handicap. The former has now the best of the argument for the beating he received, and he ran well at Leicester last Thursday, but I shall take another chance with

TREMINNIE*,

who ran a good race last week at Nottingham. I regard Treminnie as our best of the day, and Wellington is next best.

CATTERICK RESULTS.

2.15—RICHMOND PLATE of 200 sovs. Two years old. 5 f.
Mrs R. W. Foster's ch. f. GARTER QUEEN, by Knight of the Garter—Vesington Queen, 9-2 ....J. Leach 1
Mr. A. B. Briscoe's BIG SAMBO, 9-7, H. Wragg 2
Lady Derby's LA CROISETTE, 8-9 ...T. Weston 3
Also ran—Polish (H. Stubbs), Peggy Boy (J. Caldwell), Sublime Porte (R. Crisp), The Archer (T. Burns), Quart Pot (W. Nevett), Luss c. (S. Wragg), Re-entry f. (R. James), Dutch Song (D. McGuigan), Crutacy (P. Beasley), Jury (J. Thwaites).
Off 2.17. (Winner trained by H. Leader.)
Betting—2 to 1 agst. Big Sambo, 9 to 4 GARTER QUEEN, 5 to 1 Re-entry f., 8 to 1 The Archer, 20 to 1 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 5/2; places, 3/2, 3/4, 4/9. Win pool total, 3,594 units; place pool total, 3,570 units.
Won by a short head; same. Dutch Song was fourth nad Luss c. last.

2.45—BROUGH HALL PLATE of 150 sovs. Three years old. 7 f.
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's b. c. ROUGH SKETCH, by Forerunner—Pictura, 8-12 ....W. Nevett 1
Capt. A. S. Wilson's TRUE COUNT, 8-9 J. Thwaites 2
Capt. J. R. Renwick's PUTTENDEN BAY, 8-12 P. Beasley 3
Also ran—Money Order (T. Burns), Greenholm (H. Stubbs), Full Measure (R. Crisp), Gold Meter (D. Morris), Ross Park (J. Dyson), Silver May (E. Fox), Lady (C. Sones), Dance Away (A. Roberts), Noisy (J. Taylor), Former (H. Wragg), Lyndley (J. Caldwell), Landseer (H. Plaxton), Sambo (H. Jameson).
Off 2.47. (Winner trained by Peacock.)
Betting—7 to 4 agst. ROUGH SKETCH, 5 to 1 Lyndley, 7 to 1 each Puttenden Bay, Former and True Count, 10 to 1 each Full Measure, Greenholm and Lady, 20 to 1 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 6/11; places, 3/2, 5/4, 4/4. Win pool total, 3,182 units; place pool total, 3,548 units.
Won by two lengths; same. Former was fourth and Full Measure last.

3.15—ORAN SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs. Two years old. 5 f.
Capt. C. F. Elsey's b. f. NAVAL ENCOUNTER, by Beresford—'Varsity Match, 8-9 H. Stubbs 1
Mr. R. J. Colling's PELLUCID, 8-9...P. Beasley 2
Capt. A. S. Wilson's COCA, 8-9.......J. Thwaites 3
Also ran—Princess Charming c. (H. Wragg), Sout (C. Adley), Irish Jewel (W. M'Cafferty), Confident f. (J. Caldwell), Royal Flare (T. Burns), Nun Sweeter (G. Baines), Lady Rhondda (J. W. Brown), Cinders (W. Gray).
Off 3.17. (Winner trained by Elsey.)
Betting—6 to 4 agst. NAVAL ENCOUNTER, 9 to 4 Pellucid, 8 to 1 Royal Flare, 10 to 1 each Coca and Lady Rhondda, 20 to 1 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 4/11; places, 2/6, 2/9, 3/10. Total win pool, 3,966 units; total place pool, 3,690 units.
Won by a head; two lengths. Nun Sweeter was fourth and Confident f. last.
The winner was sold to Mr. R. J. Colling for 230 guineas.

3.45—MANOR HOUSE SELLING HANDICAP PLATE of 150 sovs. 5 f.
Mr. J. Gorman's b. c. ARTHUR'S SEAT, by Beresford—Pellford, 3, 7-12......W. Nevett 1
Major H. Musker's NORANDA, 4, 9-7..J. Leach 2
Mr. H. Stobart's AIDE-DE-CAMP, 4, 9-9 D. Morris 3
Also ran:—Dance On (H. Stubbs), Red Sunset (R. James), Princess Foote (C. Brown), Royal Ruby (F. Field), Rejected Countess (J. Taylor), Franklinberg (S. Wragg), Detriment (J. Thwaites), Charlie Billy (W. M'Cafferty), Grand Rock (T. Lowrey).
Off 3.46. (Winner trained by F. Armstrong.)
Betting—7 to 2 agst. Detriment, 5 to 1 Noranda, 6 to 1 each ARTHUR'S SEAT, Grand Rock and Franklinberg, 100 to 12 Aide-de-Camp, 100 to 8 Charlie Billy, 20 to 1 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 20/-; places, 6/-, 5/11, 6/3. Total win pool, 3,386 units; total place pool, 3,872 units.
The winner was bought in for 210 guineas.
Won by half a length; a neck. Franklinberg was fourth and Rejected Countess last

4.15—GROVE HANDICAP PLATE of 200 sovs. 1¼ m.
Mr. B. Dennis's b. c. MR. BERTRAM, by Ellangowan—Hark Forrard, 4, 8-7 J. Caldwell 1
Mr. R. Renton's SEPT, 5, 8-1 ...... T. Weston 2
Mr. V. P. Misa's GLADIUS, 4, 8-5 ... F. Field 3
Also ran—The Torch (T. Burns), Kilkenny (A. Richardson), Aldessan (W. Nevett), Halalie (G. Walsh), Cabman (R. Fawdon), No Argument (C. Adley). Off 4.17. (Winner trained by Drake.)
Betting—13 to 8 agst. MR. BERTRAM, 3 to 1 Gladius, 5 to 1 Sept, 6 to 1 Cabman, 7 to 1 The Torch, 100 to 6 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 7/-; places, 2/11, 3/-, 3/8. Win pool total, 4,326 units; place pool total, 3,993 units.
Won by six lengths; a short head. Cabman was fourth and Halalie last.

4.45—BAINESSE PLATE of 110 sovs. 1 m. 3 f.
Mr. V. P. Misa's b. g. CASSIUS, by Ramus—Casquetts, 4, 8-6 .... H. Gunn 1
Mr. S. B. Mason's CRACKABERRY, 3, 7-4 A. Richardson 2
Mr. J. L. Dugdale's TINKER'S WELL, 4, 8-6 W. Nevett 3
Also ran—Han Kan (S. Blackburn), Marching Captain (H. Stubbs), Impertinence (J. Caldwell), Miss Dilston (D. McGuigan). (Winner trained by V. Smyth.)
Betting—13 to 8 on CASSIUS, 4 to 1 agst. Tinker's Well, 9 to 2 Crackaberry, 100 to 7 Impertinence, 33 to 1 any other.
Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 2/10; places, 2/8, 3/1. Win pool total, 4,065 units; place pool total, 2,403 units.
Won by one length; five lengths. Impertinence was fourth and Han Kan last.
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SELECTIONS FOR NEWBURY MEETING TO-DAY

PAPER.	2.0 RACE.	2.30 RACE.	3.10 RACE.	3.45 RACE.	4.15 RACE.	4.45 RACE.
Irish Times	Silly Swan.*	Catlap.	Royal Rufus.	Wellington.	Treminnie.	Westerner.
Galtee More	—	—	Pomme d'Api.	Speculation.	—	Westerner.
S. Life & Sportsman	Silly Swan.	Ballyscanlon.	Pomme d'Api; Lightning Star place.	Wellington.	Treminnie: Dayboy, place.	Golden King.*
Man on the Spot	Silly Swan.	Sterling Maiden.	Pomme d'Api.	Speculation.	Bedraggled.	Bossi.*
Daily Sketch	Silly Swan; if ab., Eagerloon colt.	Royal Repose.	Pomme d'Api.*	Hoihu Ra.	Treminnie.	Westerner.
Star	Silly Swan; Eagerloon colt, place.	Spectroscope.	Lightning Star; Concerto, place.	Wellington; Maradana, place.	Treminnie; Pitter Patter, place.	Westerner.* Golden King, place.
Evening News	Dunchurch.	Ballyscanlon.	Concerto.	Hat Guard.	Treminnie.*	Oak Ridge.*
Evening Standard	Giorgione.	Apache.	R. Dawson's selected.	Speculation.	Lawson's selected.	Westerner.
The Times						

GOLF.

REMARKABLE SCORING.

"UNKNOWN" PLAYER LEADS IN FIRST BIG TOURNAMENT.

THE opening professional tournament of the season, which began yesterday at the Roehampton Club, London, produced probably the most amazing scoring that has ever been seen in British professional golf. With a field of about 80 players, including Ryder Cup nominees, taking part in a 36 holes stroke competition, which qualified sixteen of their number for the match-play stages, good scores were anticipated, but they far excelled expectations. Seventys were common, and this figure was frequently beaten, but it fell to a comparatively unknown player to create the surprise of the day. A. Perry, who only recently had taken up duties with the Leatherhead Club, led the field with a total of 136.

PERRY BREAKS "RECORD."

Only a year or two ago Perry was learning his trade with the great James Braid at Walton Heath, and while there he won the assistant professionals' championship. After Reginald Whitcombe had put up a new record for the course with 69, and this had been equalled by Abe Mitchell, Perry broke the record with 68. Perry achieved this mainly because of his accuracy with his iron clubs. He has what is known as a "hooker's" grip, and he played most of his long shots with a "draw," but for 35 of the 36 holes he did not make an error. To prove that this was no mere fluke, Perry, starting again among the last half dozen, delighted the gallery by accomplishing another 68.

Abe Mitchell and C. H. Gadd, the northern champion, had led the field with 137, Gadd having set up a record with 67. His effort was a triumph of skill over adversity, for he carried a handicap of a war wound, which necessitates the wearing of a surgical boot. W. T. Twine and Fred Robson tied with Gadd for the special prize awarded to the record-breaker, but the northerner certainly deserved to take it, if only because of his amazing score for the last nine holes. He did these in 29—an unheard of achievement in a tournament of this kind.

The Ryder Cup nominees did well in that, in addition to Mitchell, Reginald Whitcombe, the youngest of the three brothers, and Fred Robson occupied third place with 138. Charles Whitcombe, the British captain, with Aubrey Boomer, of France, followed with 140.

SURPRISING FAILURES.

The failures were as astounding as was the scoring itself, for Compston, Duncan and Cotton were among those who were eliminated. Compston played his first round without his usual sparkle, but he did well to complete the first round in 75. Though he made a great effort to recover, his 70 in the second round was not good enough. Cotton had 74 in the first round, and he just failed to qualify when he took 70 for the second 18 holes. Duncan was another of the "giants" to fail to gain anything by a great recovery. He had an unlucky 80 in the morning, and then a 68, which, ending with a six, owing to an encounter with a tree at the home hole, could not save him.

None of the veteran champions succeeded in qualifying. J. H. Taylor and Harry Vardon were hardly in the picture, but Sandy Herd and Ted Ray each had a total of 146. Herd's two 73's were really a fine effort for a man of 63 years of age.

THE QUALIFIERS.

	1st Rd.	2nd Rd.	Ttl.
A. Perry (Leatherhead)	68	68	136
C. H. Gadd (Brancepeth Castle)	70	67	137
Abe Mitchell (Private)	69	68	137
R. A. Whitcombe (Parkstone)	69	69	138
F. Robson (Addington Palace)	71	67	138
Aubrey Boomer (St. Cloud)	70	70	140
C. A. Whitcombe (Crews Hill)	72	68	140
G. Oke (Fulwell)	70	71	141
H. C. Kinch (Woodcote Park)	72	70	142
M. Seymour (unattached)	72	70	142
The following tied and replayed for six places:—			
R. G. Wilson (Croham Hurst)	72	71	143
C. Jolly (Foxgrove)	74	69	143
M. Bingham (Cooden Beach)	73	70	143
George Gadd (Rochampton)	72	71	143
W. T. Twine (Bromley and Bickley)	76	67	143
O. Sanderson (Bradford)	72	71	143
B. Hodson (Chigwell)	74	69	143

OTHER SCORES.

144—H. Large (St. Helens), T. H. Cotton (Langley Park), J. Donaldson (Cuddington), and A. J. Lacey (Selsdon Park).

145—P. H. Rodgers (St. Annes Old), C. Gray (Willingdon), C. Saynor (Birkdale), A. Compston (Coombe Hill), R. K. Dalby (Finchley), S. Easterbrook (Knowle), W. M. Watt (R.A.C., Epsom), and H. Roberts (Stoke Poges).

146—T. Barber (Derbyshire), J. Ockenden (Nth. Middlesex), W. Large (Huyton), H. A. Gaudin (Wanstead), A. Bradbeer (Porters Park), E. Ray (Oxhey), and Alex. Herd (Moor Park).

147—A. Tingey, junior (Frinton) and A. H. Padgham (Royal Ashdown Forest).

148—G. Duncan (private), A. G. Havers (Sandy Lodge), and R. Jones (Wimbledon Park).

149—S. Fairweather (Malone), W. C. Thomas (Royal Blackheath), W. J. Branch (Henbury), E. R. Whitcombe (Meyrick Park), Gus Faulkner (Bramley), and M. Daragon (South Lodge).

150—W. H. Davies (Wallasey), W. B. Smith (Hadley Wood), Tom Trapp (Shirley Park), F. H. Frostick (St. George's Hill), A. G. Beck (Sherwood Forest).

151—A. J. Miles (Denham) and J. Horn (Weston-super-Mare).

152—F. Taggart (Wilmslow), R. Walker (Glamorgan), Stewart Burns (Hendon), R. E. Ballantine (Moortown), and L. T. Cotton (Coulsdon Court).

153—J. B. Batley (Pinner Hill), F. G. Holden (Rochampton), J. H. Taylor (Royal Mid-Surrey), A. R. Wheildon (Mosley), and C. Johns (Purley Downs).

154—J. Sherlock (Kingswood) and J. B. Fulwell (Fulwell Forest).

155—T. G. Renouf (Stockport).

156—Fred Leach (Royal Wimbledon) and Len Holland (Gerrards Cross).

157—J. Brown (Merton Park), C. H. Corlett (Dorset) and A. Easterbrook (Exeter).

158—C. F. White (Burhill).

161—Harry Vardon (South Herts).

THE REPLAY.

The result of the replay over three holes was:—Hodson and Sanderson, each 13; Bingham, Jolly, Wilson, Twine, each 14, and Gadd, 15 strokes.

The draw for the first round to-day is:—Oke v. Jolly, Wilson v. Sanderson, Twine v. Bingham, Kinch v. Seymour, R. A. Whitcombe v. Robson, Perry v. Hodson, Gadd v. Mitchell, C. A. Whitcombe v. Boomer.

SENIOR CUP DRAW.

Only four clubs entered for the Leinster section of the Irish Senior Cup, a notable absentee from the list being Hermitage, while the Castle, which was represented last year, are also missing. Consequently, the competition will be restricted to three matches, and it has the appearance of developing into a final between Portmarnock and Royal Dublin, the former of which, by reason of Hermitage not having entered, will likely be led by Dr. MacCormack. In the first round at Dollymount on April 27 Dublin University will play Portmarnock, the other match being between Royal Dublin and Milltown. The matches start at 5.15 and 5.45, respectively. The final will be played on April 28, at 5.30.

THE BARTON SHIELD.

For the Barton Shield foursomes Clontarf will have a very serviceable team, which may include T. A. Healy, S. R. Lignell and Roger Greene. In the first round, which will be played at Dollymount on April 20, at 5.15, Portmarnock are paired with Milltown. Dublin University will play Clontarf on April 21, at 5 p.m., the winners of the Portmarnock-Milltown match meeting Royal Dublin in the other semi-final. The final will be decided on April 23, at 5.15.

THE JUNIOR AND MORAN CUPS.

Clubs in Leinster are reminded that entries for the following competitions close on the dates specified:—Junior Cup, April 16th; Moran Cup, April 15th. Entries must reach the Hon. Secretary (Mr. W. C. K. Meeke), Frescati, Rock Hill, Blackrock, on or before these dates.

CLUB NOTICES AND REPORTS.

PORTMARNOCK.

Draw for Scratch Cup. Byes to second round, top half—S. R. Lignell v. J. A. Rogan; H. Robinson v. winner (A). First round—J. A. Ryan v. M. Crowley (A); G. B. Malcolm v. C. W. Robertson; W. O'Brien v. C. W. Blood Smyth; P. F. Purcell v. N. Cuddy; J. J. Kelly v. T. A. Healy; F. W. May v. L. E. Werner; J. St. J. Pike v. C. Murray; J. H Keane v. C. Stack; M. Hennigan v. H. E. Bell; C. L. Hill v. C. Ewing; D. Figgis v. Roger Greene. Byes to second round, lower half—P. A. Bell v. W. Gill. First round to be played on Saturday, 11th inst. Times for starting from first tee can be booked at the clubhouse for players in competition.

BRAY.

Ladies' Branch—March 23rd—Best six sealed holes—Mrs. Porter, 38 (9), 29. Best 18 holes—Miss Elvery, 116 (31), 85. Monthly competition for March—Miss Dillon, 105 (32), 73. April 13th—Medal.

CURRAGH.

April 12th—Men's foursomes sweep, 18 holes, against bogey; arrange partners. Play to commence at 2.45 p.m. The mixed foursomes have been unavoidably postponed to 19th inst.

SUTTON.

Barton Cup team. At Sutton—W. J. Gill and T. McAleenan; C. G. McNamara and T. A. Moriarty; C. J. Dillon and J. A. Doyle. At Newlands—B. J. Crinion and N. Cuddy; P. O'Malley and R. T. Davis.

RATHFARNHAM.

Ladies' Branch—April 14th—Medal, bogey. Committee meeting, 1.45 p.m. April foursomes—Miss Walker Brown and Miss O'Brien and Mrs. Holland and Mrs. Hoylake, 6 down; Miss Walker Brown and Miss O'Brien winner on second nine.

HERMITAGE.

Wednesday Cup—J. P. Byrne, all square; P. Smith, all square; R. A. Dwyer, 1 down; J. Connell, 2 down; T. Cormack, 3 down; L. Caulfield, 4 down; J. J. Malone, 4 down. Saturday, 11th inst.—Foursomes v. bogey; draw for partners. Sunday, 12th inst.—Messrs. Duggan and Warren's prize, fourball v. bogey.

NOMADS.

April 12th, competition at Bray—18 holes, bogey; draws 10.30 to 2.30 o'clock.

MALAHIDE.

Barton Cup trial, Saturday 11th April. The following members are requested to play:—A. Adams, P. J. Lawless, T. R. Bailey, J. Whelan, G. O'Neill, D. Lyon, J. B. Connell, J. C. Donohue, E. Crowley, C. O'Shea, W. T. Golden, C. Anderson, J. A. Gore, J. V. O'Loughlin.

THOMASTOWN.

Men's strokes competition—Won by W. Weily (28), 75; best gross, J. Woods. Ladies—Miss Fairbairn (30), 76; best gross, Mrs. Walpole.

SUTTON.

Ladies' Branch—Macnaughton Cup draw—First Round—Miss V. Greene (A) v. Mrs. Macnaughton (B); Mrs. Maguire (C) v. Miss B. Dimond (D). Byes—Mrs. Coburn v. Mrs. Pentony; Miss Bergin v. Mrs. Duffy; Mrs. Fitzgerald v. Miss Sibley; Miss F. O'Meara v. Mrs. Fitzsimons; Miss E. Pentony v. Miss Hanna; Mrs. O'Connor v. Mrs. O'Donnell; Mrs. Hughes v. Miss E. Dimond; Mrs. Sibery v. winner of A-B; Mrs. Hilchick v. winner of C-D; Mrs. Chadwick v. Miss Gill; Mrs M'Lean v. Mrs. Walsh; Miss Courtney v. Miss E. Keogh; Mrs. Lauder v. Miss Roche; Mrs. Greene v. Mrs. O'Toole; Miss E. Birney v. Miss P. Sibley; Mrs. Geary v. Mrs. Keatinge.

Medal—Miss O'Meara (17), 76; Mrs. Hildrick (33), 79. Prize presented by Mrs. Fitzgerald, flag—Mrs. Macnaughton on 19th fairway; Miss P. Sibley at 18th hole.

LURGAN.

The following Eastertide competitions took place:—16th Battalion R.I. Rifles Cup, 27 hole eclectic—Mr. J. G. Smith won with 30 2-3. Mixed foursomes, 18 hole eclectic—Winners, Miss Hopps and Mr. R. Dewart.

PORTARLINGTON.

The hon. secretary for 1931 is Mr. J. Keane, c/o National Bank, Mountmellick, Queen's County. All letters and cards to be addressed to him.

CO. KILDARE.

Ladies' Branch—Spring Cups—First Round—Miss Doyle beat Miss Langan, Miss Garry beat Miss Meagher. To-day—Club Spoon, 18 holes. One draw, 3 o'clock.

THE CAMBERLEY MIXED FOURSOMES.

Stoke Poges Club, represented by Mrs. Alex. Gold and C. K. Cotton, the club secretary, won the inter-club mixed foursomes tournament at Camberley Heath yesterday. In the 36 holes final they beat Miss Molly Gourlay and Raymond Oppenheimer, of the home club, by 6 and 5. The winners obtained a lead of five holes on the first round, despite the fact that they had opened with a loss.

The initial win of Camberley Heath was to the accompaniment of a double loop of the loop by a club member, who flew over the course in an aeroplane, but his salutations were soon forgotten.

Camberley Heath opened the second round by winning three holes, but Stoke Poges regained a lead of six, and they had no difficulty in winning on the thirteenth green.

SPORTING GOSSIP.

Grand National Conditions.

The conditions for the Grand National Steeplechase of 1932 appear in the *Racing Calendar*. There are two variations from the conditions which governed the entries for this year's race. Instead of a horse being qualified by having been placed first, second or third in any steeplechase of three miles or upwards, such races must now be of the value of £200 to the winner. All horses must also be qualified according to the conditions at the time of entry.

Tel Asur and Newbury Cup.

Walter Nightingall informed the Press Association yesterday that he did not think Tel Asur would contest the Newbury Spring Cup on Saturday. Tel Asur finished third in the Lincolnshire Handicap. He is engaged in the Victoria Cup at Hurst Park on May 2nd, where he can meet the Lincoln winner, Knight Error, on 1st. better terms.

N.H. Jockey's Injury.

T. Morgan, the National Hunt jockey, who incurred concussion as a result of a fall on Firecracker at Sandown Park on Wednesday, is making satisfactory progress. He is still at Walton-on-Thames Cottage Hospital.

Tote Double at Powerstown.

Backers of Greek Princess and Flush of Dawn for the "tote" double at Powerstown Park received £9 for an outlay of five shillings, or odds at the rate of 35 to 1. The pool for the double was £160, and there were sixteen winning tickets.

WEIGHTS.

CHESTER MEETING.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6.

CHESTER CUP STAKES (handicap), with 2,550 sovs. added. About 2¼ m.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Brown Jack	a	9	6	Lord Bobs	4	7	7
Trimdon	5	9	0	Bower of Roses	5	7	5
West Wicklow	a	8	12	Ballyvoy	a	7	5
The Scout II.	4	8	10	Lilium	4	7	5
Coaster	5	8	8	Forum II.	4	7	2
Promptitude	a	8	4	Blue Don	5	6	13
Pommame	4	8	4	Boss of the Show	5	6	13
Insurance	4	8	4				
Grease Paint	5	8	3	Knight of Lorn	4	6	12
Lemon Car	5	8	0	Steerforth	5	6	10
Gay Amour	5	7	13	Feng	a	6	10
Mint Master	6	7	13	Master Mint	4	6	8
Bangle II.	a	7	12	Manvero	a	6	7
Paul Caret	5	7	12	Mistress	4	6	7
Acragas	5	7	12	Philip's Fancy	5	6	7
Fireaway	4	7	11	Tin o' Mint	6	6	7
Ramon	6	7	10	Lone Knight	drawn		
Numero Un	4	7	7				

CLAY BIRD SHOOTING.

THE KERSHAW CUP.

At the Munster Clay Target Shoot, held in Cork on Wednesday, the chief event was the "Henshaw Cup," which was won with a "possible" by the Munster Game Championship Cup winner, Mr. C. O'Driscoll, N.T., Glengarriff.

ATHLETICS.

THE DUBLIN SCHOOLS UNION.

At the last meeting of the general committee of the Dublin Schools' Union, sub-committees were appointed to co-operate with the hon. secretary in the carrying out of the arrangements for the meeting at Lansdowne road on May 2nd. As fifteen schools will be in competition, the committee have under consideration the running of the preliminary heats in the relay races before the 2nd of May, probably on the previous evening.

The entries close on April 21st, and it is hoped to have the programmes available on May 1st. The committee intend to have the charge for admission specially reduced for schoolboys. Further particulars will be published in the *Irish Times* later. The next meeting of the Committee will be held on 18th inst.

BADMINTON.

MIDLAND BRANCH FINALS.

With the exception of a few Midland branch competitions, the Irish Badminton season is finished, and several outstanding events were cleared off at Woodbrook on Wednesday evening.

The final of the Midland Minor Cup was played and won by Dundrum, who defeated Seapoint by five matches to three. Dundrum had already won Section "C" of the Midland League, having also defeated Seapoint in the final of that competition, their victory being gained by six matches to two. They have had an extremely good season; have never been beaten, and should be certain of promotion next season.

St. Columba's II. won the Dublin and District final of Section "E" of the Midland League, having an easy win over Lucerne, whom they beat by six matches to two. They now meet St. Brigid's, Dundalk, for the championship of Section "E."

The Dublin District portion of Section "F" was also concluded, Harding signalising their first season in the League by beating Clarinda II. in the final by eight matches to nil. They have yet to play a Dundalk Junior team for the championship of the section.

The Mixed Doubles final, Class II., which had remained over from the recent Midland branch tournament, was played off. In this a Mullingar couple—J. P. Downes and Miss U. Shaw—met, and defeated, in a hard-fought contest the Dundalk pair, J. O'Neill and Miss Courtney.

Midland Minor Cup final—Dundrum beat Seapoint, 5-3.

League Section "E" semi-final—St. Columba's II. beat Lucerne, 6-2.

League Section "F" semi-final—Harding beat Clarinda II., 8-0.

Mixed Doubles, Class II., final—J. P. Downes and Miss U. Shaw (minus 6) beat J. O'Neill and Miss Courtney (minus 3), 15-12, 11-15, 15-11.

ROWING.

METROPOLITAN REGATTA.

At the opening meeting of the Dublin Metropolitan Regatta Council, held at the Dolphin Hotel, Essex street, the following officers were elected:—Chairman, Mr. J. P. West (Dublin R.C.); Vice-Chairman, Mr. J. J. Newcome (Dolphin R.C.); Hon. Secretaries, Messrs. W. J. Wall (Commercial R.C.) and A. Keogh-Nolan (Neptune R.C.); Hon. Treasurers, Messrs. J. J. McCabe and R. D. Moore (Dublin R.C.).

It was decided to hold the Dublin Metropolitan Regatta at Ringsend on July 3rd and 4th.

AT THE RACES.



Major Dermott and Lady Helen McCalmont at the Powerstown Park Races yesterday.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY.

GOOD TRY OUT FOR OPTIMISTS.

FEW LADIES' MATCHES AT EASTER.

Hockey fixtures were scarce over the week-end, Optimists and Old College playing the only Senior match on Saturday. This was a club game, and really more of a practice for Optimists for their League final next Saturday. Optimists, although fielding four substitutes, were strongly represented, and were too good for a "holiday" Old College side. The score at the interval was only 2-1 in favour of Optimists, despite the fact that the forwards had occupied the College twenty-five for most of the time. After the interval College drew level, but were eventually beaten 5-3. The Optimists front line, though getting numerous opportunities, were not at their best close in. Miss Fullwood and Miss O'Mahony showed up well. Miss N. Mooney was the only one of the 1st XI. half-line playing, and gave her usual good display. Miss Hanlon was very safe at full-back, her judgment being remarkably good. Miss Maxwell, though making no serious mistakes, has often been seen to greater advantage than on Saturday. Her young sister deputised for Miss Thackaberry at right-half, and showed signs of developing along first-class lines.

THE OLD COLLEGE TEAM.

Apart from fielding a weak side, Old College were one short for the first half, Miss O'Loughlin failing to turn up. Miss Johnston played a good game in goal, and saved a number of shots. Miss Donaldson was the better "full," while Miss Dilworth did well at half and, in the second half, at right inner. In the latter position she scored a good goal, and made some fine attempts to add a few more. In fact, she was far more enterprising than most of the regular forwards. Miss Payne, the Alexandra half, assisted Old College and strengthened the defence considerably. Miss Cullen was the pick of the forward line, with Miss Sides a good second.

In a Peat Cup match at Carysfort avenue, Maids of the Mountain II. scored a 1-0 win over Monkstown II. after a very close game. The winning goal was scored in the first fifteen minutes of the game. After that the defences were so good that scoring was impossible. For the winners, Misses Hutton, Marnon (forwards), Stoker and Dempsey (backs) were seen to advantage, while outstanding on the Monkstown team were Misses Barrett, Delaney (forwards), Harrington (half) and Mrs. O'Dea (back).

The replay of the Sheilmartin v. Pembroke Wanderers II. Peat Cup match was postponed until later.

Two matches in the first round of the Civil Service Cup were replayed during last week. Revenue succeeded in defeating Land Commission (holders) by 1 goal to nil at the second attempt. The replay between Department of Agriculture and Industry and Commerce resulted in another draw, the score being the same as in the first match—2-all.

Below are appended the Schools' Senior and Junior League tables:—

SCHOOLS' SENIOR LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Alexandra College "B"	11	10	0	1	21
Sion Hill Convent	12	8	1	3	19
Masonic School	12	7	2	3	17
Glengara	11	6	2	3	15
Rutland H.S.	12	7	5	0	14
St. Mary's Convent	10	5	2	3	13
Muckross Convent	11	3	5	3	9
Mount Sackville College	11	3	5	3	9
Mercer's School	9	3	4	2	8
Loreto Convent (Stephen's Green)	9	2	3	4	8
Wesley College	12	2	8	2	6
Alexandra School	11	0	10	1	1
Bertrand School	6	0	6	0	0

SCHOOLS' JUNIOR LEAGUE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
St. Margaret's	10	10	0	0	20
The Hall, Monkstown	10	7	1	2	16
Loreto Convent II.	10	5	2	3	13
Nightingale Hall	10	5	3	2	12
Muckross Convent II.	6	6	0	0	12
Alexandra School II.	10	5	4	1	11
Rutland High School II.	11	5	6	0	10
Dominican Con., K'town.	7	2	3	2	10
Glengara II.	7	1	4	2	6
St. Mary's Convent II.	8	1	6	1	4
Diocesan School	8	0	7	1	1
Wesley College II.	8	0	8	0	0

MONKSTOWN WIN CROSS CUP.

After they had played an extra game with Galway, who were level with them on points, Monkstown (Dublin) won the Cross Cup competition at Galway yesterday. In the deciding game they beat Galway by three goals to nil.

ENGLISH WOMEN'S BIG WIN.

A British women's team, captained by Miss Pollard, defeated the Mannheim V.F.R. Club at Mannheim yesterday by 14 goals to 3.

CIVIL SERVICE CUP.

The semi-finals of the above competition, which were arranged for yesterday and to-day at Terenure, have been postponed.

Loreto Past (Dublin) 2, Loreto Past (Kilkenny) 1.

LACROSSE.

IRELAND V. WALES.

The teams for the International Lacrosse match between Ireland and Wales, at Londonbridge road at 3 o'clock to-day are:—

Wales—Misses M. Jones, M. Edwardes, B. Lloyd Williams, P. Vincent, G. Gould, Mrs. D. Lewis, Miss A. Lockley, Mrs. P. Lewis, Misses V. Leon, L. Vincent, M. Lockley, M. Lewis (capt.).

Ireland—Misses D. Maguire, J. Dunlop, J. Stokes, M. Smyth, S. MacIlwaine, N. Meldon, R. Cowan, C. MacGeagh, H. Cyrmble, E. Bryce Smith, R. Rotheram (capt.), D. Hyde.

Umpire—K. Lockley (England).

Goal Umpires—M. Meldon, M. Leonard.

Lucky Tor Scratched.

Lucky Tor, who has been struck out of the Newbury Cup, is engaged in the City and Suburban Handicap and Kempton Park Jubilee, which races he won last year.

BOXING.

FIGHT FOR WORLD'S TITLE.

CLEVELAND THE VENUE FOR THE MATCH.

CLEVELAND (OHIO), Thursday.

THE world's heavy-weight championship fight between Young Stribling and Max Schmeling will take place in the new Municipal Stadium here either on the night of July 3 or the afternoon of July 4.

Terms have been agreed upon, and it only remains for the signatures to be affixed to the contract to clinch the match. The signing of the contract awaits formal inspection by the City Law Depôt.

Optimistic promoters expect a crowd of 120,000 to watch the fight. The Stadium holds only 80,000, but 40,000 extra seats will be installed.

TOUGH FIGHT EXPECTED FOR BERG.

DETROIT, Thursday.

A son of a gold hunter and a former jockey are the respective opponents of Kid Berg and Johnny Peters here to-morrow night, when both English lads fight on the same programme.

Wallace, a Scotch-American, is fully expected to give Berg all the warming up he wants for his championship bout with Tony Canzoneri at Chicago on April 24th. Wallace has fought nearly all the leading American light-weights and has won 30 fights on a knock-out.

Since he gave up riding horses four years ago, Louis (Pee Wee) Wilson, who meets Peters, has made such rapid strides in the boxing world that he is now recognised by the Michigan Boxing Commission as the best bantam-weight in the State, and holds the belt emblematic of this title. His latest victory was over Juan Cruz, a Mexican light-weight.

CHARLES DEPRIVED OF TITLE.

PARIS, Thursday.

Pierre Charles, the Belgian heavy-weight champion, has been deprived of his title of European champion for his failure to meet the German, Hans Schonrath, within the time stipulated by the International Boxing Union.

SCOTT TO MEET LARRY GAINS.

Phil Scott, the British Champion, has agreed to meet Larry Gains, the coloured Canadian heavy-weight, at Leicester on June 13. This will be Scott's first fight since he was beaten by Young Stribling at Wimbledon last July.

HOCKEY

KINGSTOWN G.S. TOUR.

During the Easter holidays Kingstown Grammar School Past and Present entered a team in the hockey festival held at the grounds of the Ainsdale Club, Southport. The other teams competing were Ainsdale, Bramhall and Worsley from Manchester, and a strong scratch side, the Nondescripts. Grammar School succeeded in tieing with the last-named for the honours of the tournament.

On Good Friday K.G.S. met and defeated the home side by three goals to two; on Saturday morning they defeated Nondescripts by one-nil, and in the afternoon Bramhall by four-nil. On Monday they were defeated by Worsley by one goal to nil. This goal was scored in the last three minutes of the game, and, having gone so close, Grammar School may be taken as decidedly unlucky in not winning the tournament.

Having travelled only eleven men it was apparent in their play in the final match that the strain of so much hockey on top of a bad crossing was telling on them. The week-end, however, was a distinct success, and nothing was left undone on the part of the Southport side to make the Irishmen feel at home. The K.G.S. team was as follows:—F. Whitney, C. M. Winder, I. A. Varian, S. Sutton, R. E. Felton, E. Leonard, Roy Anderson, T. Staples, W. Ritchie (capt.), P. Varian and S. Cheetham.

TO-MORROW'S PRINCIPAL FIXTURES.

IRISH SENIOR CUP FINAL.

Railway Union (holders) v. Maryville (Cork), Londonbridge road, 2.45.

RAILWAY CUP FINAL (REPLAY).

Railway Union 3rd v. Kingstown Grammar School 2nd, Londonbridge road, 4.15.

MIDDLE LEAGUE DECIDER.

Pembroke Wanderers 2nd v. Grangegorman, Claremont road, 3.15.

LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE.

Naas v. Pembroke Wanderers, Naas. Three Rock Rovers v. Monkstown, Londonbridge road, 4 o'clock.

MIDDLE LEAGUE.

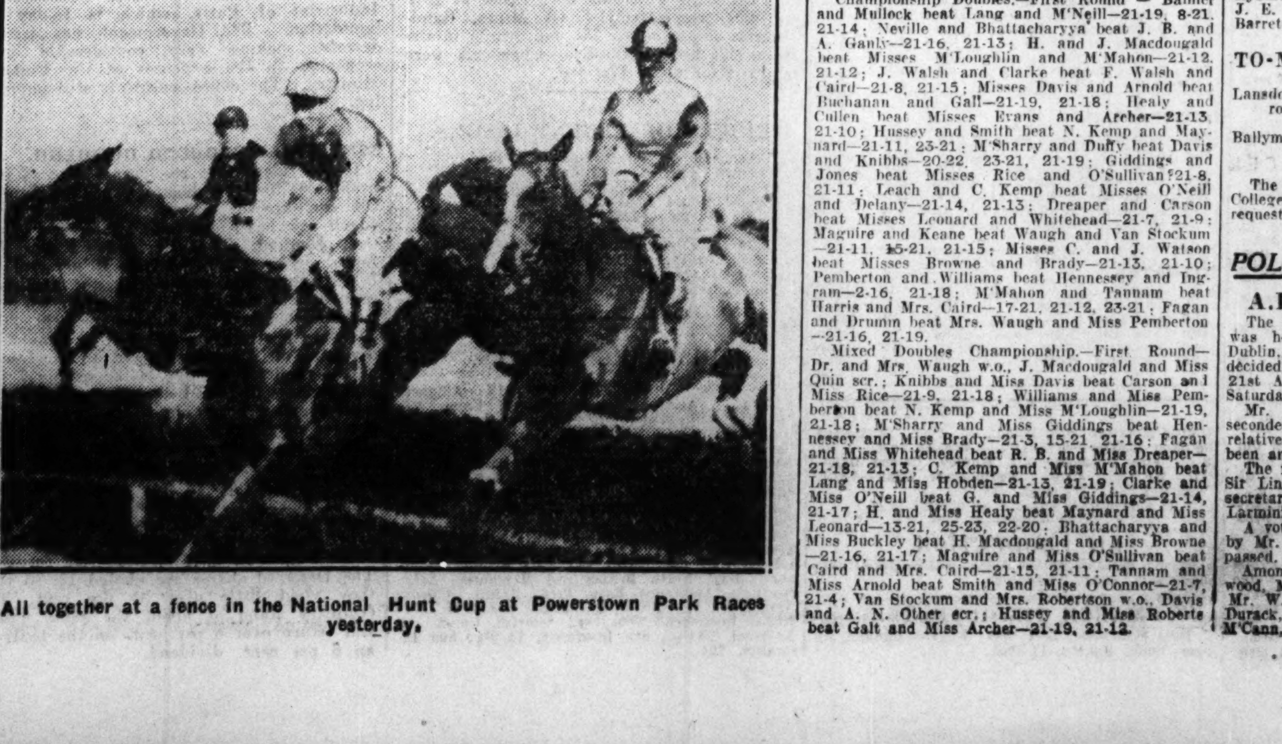
Railway Union 2nd v. Dalkey 2nd, Park avenue, 4.45.

ACCEPTANCES.

NATIONAL HUNT 'CHASE, CHELTENHAM.

Our Empire, Little Jack Horner, Pelorous Jack, Mount Kenya, Chaddsford, Joker XII., Holmes, Robin a Tiptoe, Ballyshore, Merriment IV., Steady Johnny, Evolution, Arc Lamp, King's Ransom, Red Rufus II., Lewes, M.O., Johnnie, Yuarite, Saratoga, Huic Holloa, Dusty Foot, Samson III., Edomite.

OVER THE FENCE.



All together at a fence in the National Hunt Cup at Powerstown Park Races yesterday.

LAWN TENNIS.

BIG SURPRISE IN THE TRIALS.

MRS. WHITTINGSTALL DEFEATED.

IN the international trials at Queen's Club, London, yesterday, Mrs. Fearnley Whittingstall was beaten by Miss Mary Heeley, of Birmingham, by 6-1, 6-4. Two factors contributed to the defeat of Mrs. Whittingstall—Miss Heeley's remarkable aptitude for returning the ball on both hands and a court rendered slow by rain. Her defeat by a young player, not yet twenty-one years old, came as a complete surprise, and it has raised a fresh problem for the Lawn Tennis Association selectors to solve.

Miss Heeley can smash almost like a man, controls her driving well, and her zeal in covering the court for wide balls never flags. She took a lead of 3-love in the first set, and never once relaxed her grasp on the game. With Mrs. Whittingstall unable to adapt the pace of her driving to that of the court, and Miss Heeley's admirable length precluding any encroachment to the net, the match slowly slipped away from Mrs. Whittingstall.

Miss Betty Nuthall hit the ball as hard as ever while beating Miss Dorothy Round, the Worcestershire girl, by 6-4, 6-1, and some of her low volleys in the second set were very good. If Miss Nuthall revealed a weakness it was her inability to get up to the occasional drop shots which the Midland player sent over.

H. W. Austin and F. J. Perry won their matches in the men's singles, but, while Austin's splendidly regulated game overcame K. C. Gandar-Dower in three sets, Perry was taken to a fourth set by H. F. David. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES—SECOND ROUND.

H. Austin beat K. Gandar-Dower—6-2, 6-3, 6-4.

C. Kingsley beat H. Lester—0-6, 6-2, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

F. Perry beat H. David—6-3, 7-5, 3-6, 6-1.

G. Hughes beat E. Avory—6-2, 6-0, 10-8.

WOMEN'S SINGLES—SECOND ROUND.

Miss Mudford beat Mrs. Haylock—6-2, 6-0.

Miss Heeley beat Mrs. Whittingstall—6-1, 6-4.

Miss Nuthall beat Miss Round—6-4, 6-1.

Miss Ridley beat Miss James—6-4, 6-3.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES—FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. Fearnley Whittingstall and Miss Nuthall beat Miss Heeley and Miss James—6-0, 4-6, 6-1.

Mrs. C. McIlquham and Miss N. Lyle beat Mrs. Haylock and Miss J. Ridley—6-4, 4-6, 11-9.

Miss G. Sterry and Miss N. Trentham beat Miss E. Dearman and Miss D. Round—6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Mrs. L. Michell and Mrs. J. Pittman beat Mrs. E. Jameson and Miss P. Mudford—6-4, 6-3.

L.T.A.'S FINANCIAL POLICY.

The Lawn Tennis Association, which has hitherto remained silent under all attacks, yesterday replied, through Mr. H. A. Sabelli, the secretary, to the statements that the governing body of the game was not using its funds in the best interests of lawn tennis players in general, as distinct from the leading players of both sexes.

"The statement that we have a surplus of £50,000 is not correct," said Mr. Sabelli. "Our financial year ends in September, and it is not expected that the reserve will exceed £25,000. Like all concerns, whether purely business or those connected with sport, it is the policy of the Lawn Tennis Association to hold a reserve against contingencies which may involve expenditure at a moment's notice. No ignorant or ill-considered criticism will make the Lawn Tennis Association alter that policy."

MONACO'S TEAM.

R. Galette, V. Landau and A. Renard will represent Monaco against Great Britain in the first round of the Davis Cup tournament at Plymouth on April 23, 24 and 25.

FITZWILLIAM L.T.C. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Fitzwilliam L.T.C. will be held in the clubhouse, Wilton place, Dublin, this evening at 5.15 o'clock.

BILLIARDS.

NEWMAN V. LINDRUM.

There was no change in the totals of Newman and Lindrum in yesterday's early session at Birmingham, the Australian failing to record a break of 750 or more, and Newman of 500 or over. The best break of the session was 357 by Lindrum, while Newman had 290 and 199. Interval scores:—Newman, 8,247; Lindrum (in play), 6,155.

Neither player made a scoring break at night, though Lindrum twice went near the mark. He took his unfinished 103 to 508, and later reached 613 when he broke down at a difficult cannon. Newman's best innings were 116, 217 and 172. The match will finish to-day. Closing scores:—Newman (in play), 8,247; Lindrum, 6,155.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

H. F. E. Coles, of Cardiff, winner of the title in 1929, obtained a lead of 191 points over C. M. Helyer (Middlesbrough) in the first session of their Amateur Championship match at Thurston's Hall, London, yesterday. The winner of the tie will meet M. A. Boggin in the semi-final round.

Play did not reach a high standard, both men frequently adopting safety tactics. Coles had breaks of 40, 39, 49, 45, 53 and 98, unfinished; while Helyer made 32, 91, 49 and 39. Interval scores:—Coles (in play), 675; Helyer, 484.

Coles increased his lead to 605 in the evening session, in which he had breaks of 223 (full), 41 (twice), 67, 47 and 160. He averaged 20. Helyer averaged 7¼, his chief innings being 34 (twice), 31, 29 and 11, unfinished. Closing scores:—Coles, 1,531; Helyer (in play), 926.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

IRISH BANKERS' CUP.

NATIONAL CITY ... 2 PROVINCIAL 0

The replay of the second round match for the Bankers' Cup took place on C.Y.M.S. ground at Terenure last evening. P. J. Murphy and L. G. Murphy scored for National City in the second half.

The win was rather unexpected, but the winners showed more consistency all through. The first half was scoreless, and twenty minutes of the second period had gone before the first score came. The second goal was got just on time.

The goalkeepers did extremely well, and Boden, in the City goal, got out of many difficult positions with credit. Ruddle also kept a good goal. Weak finishing by the forward lines lost many scoring opportunities, but the midfield play was fast and strenuous.

Provincial re-arranged their forward line in the second half, and Wheeler did better at inside left, but the defence of Bourke and Kenny was solid, although the City goal was lucky on two occasions in this half.

For the winners, besides those mentioned, O'Shaughnessy, Barnes, Mangan and Sheehan were prominent. Boden saved a penalty taken by Kearney in the first half. Provincial were well served by Barrett, Kennedy, Olliffe, Scott, Wheeler and Drum.

National City Bank—P. C. Boden; H. Bourke, D. Kenny; J. Healy, C. Mangan (capt.), R. C. Sheehan; L. G. Murphy, P. Barnes, P. J. Murphy, D. J. Coogan, G. O'Shaughnessy.

Provincial Bank—M. P. Ruddle; D. Barrett, G. Kennedy; H. D. Prim, J. Olliffe (capt.), G. Scott; H. A. Drum, E. O. Holland, E. A. P. Wheeler, C. Kearney, J. Tivy.

F.S. QUALIFYING CUP FINAL.

The final of the Free State Qualifying Cup between Cork Bohemians and Rossville will be played at Harold's Cross Park on April 19th. Mr. Mee, Nottingham, will referee.

BELFAST CHARITY CUP.

The draw for the first round of the Belfast Charity Cup was made last night, as follows:—

April 29—Cliftonville v. Broadway United.
April 30—Distillery v. Glentoran.
May 5—Celtic v. Linfield Rangers.
May 6—Linfield v. Crusaders.

TABLE TENNIS.

IRISH CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Doubles formed the principal item of the second night's play in the Irish Championships at Leinster Cricket Club. A few men's singles were played, and Knibbs and D. Williams, the Welsh international, showed fine form in comfortably beating useful opponents. Results:—

Men's Championship Singles.—Third Round—H. Knibbs beat W. C. Pemberton—21-10, 21-12; E. Maynard beat J. Drumm—9-21, 21-18, 21-19; R. Jones beat J. Van Stockum—21-16, 15-21, 21-15; D. Williams beat E. C. Smith—2-19, 21-16.

Championship Doubles.—First Round — Balmer and Mullock beat Lang and M'Neill—21-19, 8-21, 21-14; Neville and Bhattacharyya beat J. B. and A. Ganly—21-16, 21-13; H. and J. Macdougald beat Misses M'Loughlin and M'Mahon—21-12, 21-12; J. Walsh and Clarke beat F. Walsh and Caird—21-8, 21-15; Misses Davis and Arnold beat Buchanan and Gall—21-19, 21-18; Healy and Cullen beat Misses Evans and Archer—21-13, 21-10; Hussey and Smith beat N. Kemp and Maynard—21-11, 23-21; M'Sharry and Duffy beat Davis and Knibbs—20-22, 23-21, 21-19; Giddings and Jones beat Misses Rice and O'Sullivan—21-8, 21-11; Leach and C. Kemp beat Misses O'Neill and Delany—21-14, 21-13; Dreaper and Carson beat Misses Leonard and Whitehead—21-7, 21-9; Maguire and Keane beat Waugh and Van Stockum—21-11, 15-21, 21-15; Misses C. and J. Watson beat Misses Browne and Brady—21-13, 21-10; Pemberton and Williams beat Hennessey and Ingram—2-16, 21-18; M'Mahon and Tannam beat Harris and Mrs. Caird—17-21, 21-12, 23-21; Fagan and Drumm beat Mrs. Waugh and Miss Pemberton—21-16, 21-19.

Mixed Doubles Championship.—First Round—Dr. and Mrs. Waugh w.o., J. Macdougald and Miss Quin scr.; Knibbs and Miss Davis beat Carson and Miss Rice—21-9, 21-18; Williams and Miss Pemberton beat N. Kemp and Miss M'Loughlin—21-19, 21-18; M'Sharry and Miss Giddings beat Hennessey and Miss Brady—21-3, 15-21, 21-16; Fagan and Miss Whitehead beat R. B. and Miss Dreaper—21-18, 21-13; C. Kemp and Miss M'Mahon beat Lang and Miss Hobden—21-13, 21-19; Clarke and Miss O'Neill beat G. and Miss Giddings—21-14, 21-17; H. and Miss Healy beat Maynard and Miss Leonard—13-21, 25-23, 22-20; Bhattacharyya and Miss Buckley beat H. Macdougald and Miss Browne—21-16, 21-17; Maguire and Miss O'Sullivan beat Caird and Mrs. Caird—21-15, 21-11; Tannam and Miss Arnold beat Smith and Miss O'Connor—21-7, 21-4; Van Stockum and Mrs. Robertson w.o., Davis and A. N. Other scr.; Hussey and Miss Roberts beat Galt and Miss Archer—21-19, 21-12.

GREYHOUND RACING.

OWNER'S DOUBLE AT HAROLD'S CROSS.

SHORT HEAD VERDICT IN MUNSTER PLATE.

MR. P. J. McNAMARA, the Drogheda courser, brought off a double event last night at Harold's Cross Park by the aid of Looking Blue and Blue Earl, litter brothers. The former won the Ulster Plate in decisive fashion, but Blue Earl was fully extended to win the Connaught Plate, the verdict in his favour over Cheerful Knight being only half a length.

Sweet Cymbeline beat a better favourite in Ballydaly Boy in the Leinster Plate, and a thrilling finish to the Munster Plate found Coulson Boy getting the better of Tiney Boy by a short head. Marble Stopper won the Metropolitan Hurdle in good style, while Mud and Treacle took the Midland Hurdle in ready fashion. Details:—

ULSTER PLATE—Mr. P. J. McNamara's bk. d. LOOKING BLUE (5) (Darwin—Bluette), 6 to 4, 1; Mr. F. G. Lynch's MILL FARM (4), 4 to 1, 2. Also ran:—Gentle Coup (3), 3 to 1; Clonarney Lad (6), 8 to 1; Lord North Wall (1), 3 to 1; Mashed Harrow (2), 8 to 1. Six lengths. 31.10 secs.

METROPOLITAN HURDLE (585 yards)—Mr. D. Healy's be. d. MARBLE STOPPER (4) (Divided State—Borough), 6 to 4, 1; Mr. D. O'Neill's SAVOY'S DOUBLE (2), 4 to 1, 2. Also ran:—Rock Roy (3), 6 to 4; Marshal Foch (1), 3 to 1. One length. 37.30 secs.

LEINSTER PLATE (585 yards)—Mr. T. Sheehan's w. bd. b. SWEET CYMBELINE (2) (Beaded Dick—Kilowatt), 3 to 1, 1; Mr. J. Bowe's BALLYDALY BOY (5), evens, 2. Also ran:—Rapid Despatch (1), 3 to 1; Never Nana (3), 6 to 1; Mintaro (6), 6 to 1; Donnybrook Maid (4), 6 to 1. Four lengths. 35.65 secs.

MUNSTER PLATE—Mr. M. Harte's bk. d. COULSON BOY (1) (Appian Way—Raven's Hope), 3 to 1, 1; Mr. J. McDonnell's TINEY BOY (2), 4 to 1, 2. Also ran:—Craobh Ruadh (4), 5 to 4 on; Glenavon (6), 4 to 1; Pearl (3), 6 to 1; Ocarina (5), 6 to 1. A short head. 32.70 secs.

MIDLAND HURDLE—Mrs. Kavanagh's w. f. r. d. MUD AND TREACLE (3) (Guiding Hand—Fiery Hawk), 6 to 4, 1; Mr. M. J. Mulhall's LOUGH FOAM (1), 4 to 1, 2. Also ran:—Grancore Boy (4), evens; Down Bolt (2), 6 to 1. Three lengths. 34.70 secs.

CONNAUGHT PLATE—Mr. P. J. McNamara's r. f. d. BLUE EARL (3) (Darwin—Bluette), 5 to 4, 1; Mr. F. Carton's CHEERFUL KNIGHT (5), 6 to 1, 2. Also ran:—Dwyer's Square (2), 3 to 1; Thige of Ore (6), 8 to 1; Sgeolan's Jewel (1), 6 to 1; Bob Tail (4), 2 to 1. Half a length. 31.86 secs.

LIFFEY PLATE—Mr. J. McMorrow's bk. d. MARCH SLYLY (5) (White Fox—Serene Girl), 3 to 1, 1; Mr. T. Berney's KILCULLEN GIRL (3), 6 to 4, 2. Also ran:—Brilliant Lassie (4), 5 to 2; Am Meirleagh (1), 5 to 1; Glen Kitty (2), 3 to 1; Gyp the Blood (6), 6 to 1. Four lengths. 32.10 secs.

TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME.

8.15—**ULSTER PLATE**, 525 yards—Mr. C. Redmond's Corney Wallace, Mr. P. Tuite's Tauris, Mr. P. J. Walsh's Gaoth Marta, Mr. W. Murtagh's Well Meant, Dr. Masterson's Prudent Joe, Mr. James Matthews's Tivoli Boy. Subs.—Mr. P. O'Connell's Ocarima, Mr. P. O'Brien's Down Bolt.

8.30—**METROPOLITAN HURDLE**, 525 yards—Mr. P. Mooney's Rathganly, Mr. F. C. Kelly's Sammy's Adventure, Mr. T. O'Brien's Go Joke, Mr. Eastwood's Flail. Subs.—Mr. D. O'Neill's Savoy's Double, Mr G. O'Connor's Rock Roy.

8.45—**LEINSTER PLATE**, 585 yards—Mr. J. Murphy's Rory's First, Mr. P. McAllister's Sure Enough Dick, Mr. M. J. Quirke's Cutlet's Fiancee, Mr. John Tobin's El Paso, Miss J. Carey's Queen of the Hills, Mr. John Costigan's Golden Prince. Subs.—Mr. P. Murtagh's Mintaro, Mr. John Harney's Harvey's Sauce.

9.0—**MUNSTER PLATE**, 525 yards—Mr. J. Dwyer's Drintyre, Mr. T. Reynolds's Mutton Flier, Mrs. J. A. Madden's Hymany, Mr. John Murphy's Merry Court, Mr. W. Ryan's Bevidy, Mr. Paul McKenna's Time Gents Please. Subs.—Mr. M. Fagan's Bonnybrook Maid, Mr. F. Carton's Cheerful Knight.

9.15—**MIDLAND HURDLE**, 585 yards—Mr. T. J. Mayler's Soft Fit, Mr. P. J. Lawler's Douse the Glimmer, Mr. T. S. Kelly's Shot Truce, Mr. T. O'Donnell's Head the Ball. Subs.—Dr. Denis Healy's Marble Stopper, Mr. Frank Sugrue's Serang.

9.30—**CONNAUGHT PLATE**, 525 yards—Mr. M. T. Gorey's Glundie, Mr. T. Ryan's Melksham Rover, Mr. James Louth's My Ould Shaco, Mr. J. Costello's June Clover, Mr. John J. Ryan's Fly Away Jack, Miss Doyle's Morn Dawn. Subs.—Mr. M. Walsh's The Sponge, Mr. John O'Brien's Creave's Beau.

9.45—**LIFFEY PLATE**, 525 yards—Mr. T. Burke's Lady Farmer, Mr. J. Spillane's Cherry Rose, Mr. J. O'Connell's Cognate, Mrs. E. Rudd's Nicholas Temple, Miss Aileen Barry's Battledore, Mr. E. Callaghan's Hefty Boyo. Subs.—Mr. T. McDonnell's Tom Coole, Mr. W. Heffernan's Melksham Rose.

CELTIC PARK—TO-NIGHT.

8.0—**CORMORANT CUP (Hurdle)**, 600 yards.—Second Semi-Final—Myrtle M., Mourne Shore, Sketterick Castle, Joan S.

8.15—**ANTRIM STAKES**, 525 yards.—Middle Market, Rambling Witch, Royal Matron, Hazel Leaf, Aloha's Love, Brutoinette. To fill vacancy—Dooreval.

8.35—**SPRING CUP**, 525 yards. Final—Son of Rogue, White Clay, Birrgrove, Malacca.

8.55—**CORMORANT CUP**, 600 yards.—Third Semi-Final—Quoile Prince, Ballymacash, Ceegull, Cohuna.

9.10—**SHELBOURNE STAKES**, 600 yards.—Ilene Darling, Eamhain Macha, Drumcrow, Marcellus, Cunning Rambler, Fortland's Lawyer. To fill vacancy—Clovis.

9.25—**ANGLESEY STAKES**, 375 yards—Just So, Fiery Fly, Peggy's Wish, Clinta Boy, Strathleven, Curculain. To fill vacancy—Roe Paddy.

DUNMORE PARK RESULTS.

ALEXANDRA STAKES—Hawkmark Time, 1; Clear Count, 2. Tote—5/3 win, 3/6 and 8/6 places.

DUNCAIRN HURDLES—Gilbert's Boy, 1; Some Stride, 2. Tote—22/3 win, 6/6 and 3/6 places.

DUNMORE HANDICAP—Master McCormack, 1. Tote—11/9 win.

BRANTWOOD HURDLES—Killough Castle, 1; Eliza Hill, 2. Tote—7/- win, 3/3 and 4/- places.

CRUSADER STAKES—Channel King, 1; Rackback, 2. Tote—15/3 win, 4/9 and 3/6 places.

LISNALINCHY STAKES—Staffords Blue, 1; Dainit, 2. Tote—7/6 win, 4/9 and 4/9 places.

CRICKET.

COLE'S GOOD BOWLING FOR ALL-EGYPT.

CAIRO, Thursday.

H. M. Martineau's touring team began a three-day match against All Egypt on the Gezira Sporting Club's ground here to-day. This is their fourth match of the tour, the first having been won and the other two drawn. The tourists batted first and scored 195, W. G. Lowndes being top scorer with 64. G. D. Kemp-Welch, H. W. Franklin, H. M. Martineau, and I H. Nevison all failed to score. Captain Cole took seven wickets for 45. At the close of play All Egypt had scored 113 for nine. Score:—

MARTINEAU'S XI.—First Innings.

D. N. Moore c de Biss b Ward	29
W. O. B. Lindsay l.b.w b Cole	39
Col. S. B. Williams b Cole	33
G. Lowndes c Galloway b Cole	64
C. H. Knott b Cole	2
G. D. Kemp-Welch b Cole	0
W. M. Franklin b Cole	0
H. M. Martineau b Cole	0
J. C. Masterman c Holme b Galloway	21
Lord Dalmeny st Holme b Ward	7
I. H. Nevison not out	0
Total	195

ALL EGYPT—First Innings.

Powell b Nevinson	18
Holme b Lowndes	11
Major Pank b Nevinson	6
Lieut. Smith-Bingham b Nevinson	22
Capt. Rogers c Lowndes b Dalmeny	4
de Biss b Dalmeny	11
Capt. Cole b Nevinson	0
Capt. Drury c Knott b Kemp-Welch	16
Capt. Ward b Dalmeny	10
Capt. Galloway not out	8
Lieut. Osborne-Smith not out	0
Extras	7
Total (9 wickets)	113

CLONTARF C.C.

The annual general meeting will be held in the pavilion this evening at 8 o'clock. All members and intending members are requested to attend.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

BATEMAN CUP—FIRST ROUND.

Lansdowne v. Loughrea. Lansdowne road, 4 o'c.

Lansdowne—D. P. Moran; R. W. Fox, J. E. Arigho, N. H. Lambert, E. J. Lightfoot; R. St. J. Lyburn, E. O'D. Davy; M. E. Bardon, T. C. Byrne, J. E. McEnery, J. MacNeaney, J. I. McGuire, I. Barrett, F. Conroy, J. C. Powell.

TO-MORROW'S CHIEF FIXTURES.

BATEMAN CUP—FINAL.

Lansdowne or Loughrea v. Collegians. Lansdowne road, 3.45.

PROVINCIAL TOWNS CUP—FINAL.

Ballymahon v. Carlow. Lansdowne road, 2.15.

OLD WESLEY F.C.

The general meeting will be held in Wesley College to-night at 7.30 sharp. All members are requested to attend.

POLO.

A.I.P.C. SPRING MEETING.

The spring meeting of the All-Ireland Polo Club was held yesterday at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, Mr. Maxwell Arnott presiding. It was decided to hold a dance at Oaklands, Rathgar, on 21st April, and to open the season for play on Saturday, May 2.

Mr. Shackleton proposed, and Mr. Arnott seconded, a vote of sympathy with the widow and relatives of the late Mr. Frank Lillis, who had been an active member of the club.

The following were elected on the Committee:—Sir Lingard Goulding, Major Kirkwood (honorary secretary), Messrs. Arnott, Durack, Shackleton, Larminie, Magee, M'Cann.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman was proposed by Mr. Shackleton, seconded by Mr. M'Cann, and passed.

Amongst those present were:—Major T. W. Kirkwood, Mr. Maxwell Arnott, Mr. J. P. A. Larminie, Mr. W. Magee, Mr. J. W. Shackleton, Mr. J. J. Durack, Herr von Dehn, Mr. R. H. Usher, Mr. John M'Cann, Mr. E. A. Slocock.

POINT-TO-POINT.

NUGENT COLOURS TO THE FORE.

BALLYMACAD HUNT.

The Ballymacad Hunt Point-to-Point races were held at Mooretown, near Castlepollard, yesterday. The weather was ideal, and there was a very large attendance. Details:—

OPEN WELTER RACE. About 3m.

Lady Nugent's SINGANODE ...Mr. P. J. Casey 1
Mr. Philip Purcell's FAIRYMOUNT ......Owner 2
Major C. W. Chaloner's BILLY BOY Mr. F. O'Neill 3

Also ran—Mr. M. Murphy's Roamer (Mr. O. McDonnell), Mr. E. C. Corcoran's Shell Fish (Mr. J. Coen). Won by eight lengths; a distance.

LADIES' RACE (Open). About 3m.

Mrs. Bibby's TOTALISER ....Owner 1
Mrs. Wall's LISCONNOR ....Miss J. Manly 2

Won by a distance.

OPEN LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE. About 3m.

Mr. John Hall's LITTLE BACHELOR Mr. P. J. Casey 1

Also ran—Lady Nugent's Dreaming (Mr. J. W. Cleary). Finished alone.

BALLYMACAD HUNT CUP. About 3m.

Mr. G. A. Rotheram's PURPLE HAZE Captain J. B. Grant 1
Mr. B. McCormack's MOYLOUGH Mr. T. C. Vance 2

Also ran—Dr. Hanly's Wild Rose (Mr. F. O'Neill). Won easily.

CROSSAKIEL CHALLENGE CUP. About 3½m.

Sir Walter Nugent's Lady Gaine Mr. P. J. Casey 1
Mr. J. Bredin's Bradjuan ....Owner 2

Also ran—Mr. A. S. Harman's Archerstown (Mr. F. O'Neill). Won in a canter.

MAIDEN RACE. About 3m.

Mrs. Large's LONG ODDS ...Capt. J. B. Grant 1
Mr. S. Thistle's MORE DENNIS...Mr. J. Cole 2
Miss Joan Manly's VANITY ....Owner 3

Also ran—Mr. J. J. Ledwith's Just for Fun (Mr. N. Leavy), Captain Gargan's You Never Know (Mr. P. J. Casey), Mr. D. Leavy's Professor Tim (Mr. J. W. Cleary), Mr. M. McKeon's Spring Forward (Mr. P. Purcell), Mr. M. Murphy's Brown Jack (Mr. O. McDonnell). Won by two lengths; eight lengths.

DERRY GARRISON.

The Derry Garrison Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held yesterday at Ballougry, in ideal weather, before a large gathering. The racing was most interesting. Details:—

ADJACENT HUNTS' MAIDEN RACE.

Mr. J. O. Herdman's ATLANTA 1
Mr. J. Adam's LUCK'S PENNY 2
Mr. C. A. Cooper Keys's SEVEN VEILS 3

Also ran—Major and Grand Affair. Won by a short head.

OPEN MAIDEN RACE.

Mr. H. Christie's ROMAN FEATHER 1
Mr. L. J. Woodside's FANCIFUL SWAN 2

Won by a distance.

OFFICERS' TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL RACE.

Mr. C. Mitchell's BAY LADY 1
Lieut.-Col. F. R. M. Graham's KAMELIA 2
Mr. D. Buchanan's MICHAEL 3

Also ran—Analong, Lancer, Cocky Boy, Jimmey, Betty, Carrack, Hussar and Gadabout. Won by four lengths.

OPEN RACE.

Mr. L. J. Woodside's FANCIFUL SWAN 1
Mr. R. Laverty's BROWN JAP 2
Mr. J. Braddell's EVELYN 3

Also ran—Miss Rowland and Digger. Won by four lengths.

HUNT LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE.

Mr. J. D. Herdman's GEORGIA 1
Mr. A. Snodgrass's AU REVOIR 2
Capt. J. Pittock's COCKY BOY 3

Also ran—Peter Finn, Sometimes and P.X. Won by three lengths.

HUNT HEAVY-WEIGHT RACE.

Mr. J. Adams's LUCK'S PENNY 1
Mr. G. T. Denaro's SLIEMA 2

Also ran—Clonmel, Black Prince and Seagull. Won by a distance.

MYSTERY CAR FOR DUBLIN.

RACE TRIAL BY WORLD RECORD HOLDER.

Mr. George E. T. Eyston, who holds the world's record speed of just under one hundred miles an hour for baby motor cars, will arrive in Dublin to-morrow morning. Mr. Eyston in recent years has made a name for himself as a racing driver both on the road and on the track. It is only a few weeks ago that, driving an "M.G. Midget" at Brooklands, he wrested the speed record for baby cars from Sir Malcolm Campbell, who had created his record at Daytona in a "Baby" Austin.

Mr. Eyston will be accompanied on this visit to Dublin by Mr. Max C. Morris, who is well known as a popular entrant of racing cars in all the big Irish and European road races. They will bring with them a special car, the make and design of which will not be disclosed until it arrives in Dublin. It is their intention to try the car out on the Grand Prix Race Course in the Phœnix Park, and it is very probable that it will be entered for the Irish International Grand Prix road races next June.

Mr. Morris knows the Phœnix Park course very well, having raced cars there both last year and the year before, though he did not drive himself. He has also participated in the Ulster Tourist Trophy Races. He is an Irishman, with a residence near Castlebellingham.

RUMOURED WAR DEBT MORATORIUM.

NO NEWS IN WASHINGTON.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Thursday.

Rumours concerning a proposed two years' moratorium for all war debts are believed to be quite unfounded. No confirmation is obtainable from any official source here.

Presumably a vaguely-worded article in a New York financial daily gave rise to the rumours, but little credit is attached to the article in question in well-informed quarters. Such a moratorium is all the more improbable, in view of the fact that the United States Treasury is faced with an expected deficit of 700,000,000 dollars (£140,000,000) at the end of the financial year in June next.

PYLONS FORCE WRITER TO EMIGRATE.

WILL NOT STAY IN ENGLAND TO BE "ROBBED."

Mr. F. Britten Austin, the short story writer, considers that the surroundings of his home, Guestling Hall, Sussex, have been impaired by the erection of giant pylons in connection with the Hastings-Folkestone electricity transmission lines. Accordingly, he has decided to make a permanent home in Paris.

"This is the fruition of a long-cherished dream, as I have been wanting to go for twenty years," he said to a reporter yesterday, "but I should not have gone yet if it had not been for these things. When I came back from Central Africa I found my place spoilt by these pylons. Every one of my views over the hills and out to the Channel has been ruined, and, as far as I can see, the countryside has been scarred. One tower is less than sixty feet from my house, and the wires almost pass over my grounds. I had no idea they would be so hideous. A whole row of my beautiful cherry trees has had to be cut down.

"I have had enough of ferocious taxation, and when I found I was paying taxes to have my place spoilt, I said: 'We will depart. Why should we stay and be robbed?'"

FARM WAGES IN ENGLAND.

TWO SHILLINGS DOWN IN SUFFOLK.

The Suffolk Agricultural Wages Committee yesterday confirmed the proposal of the farmers to reduce the minimum agricultural wage in the county from thirty shillings to twenty-eight shillings.

The appointed members said that they were impressed by the difficulty which a married man with a family might have owing to a reduction of the wage—a difficulty which could be avoided by accepting the suggestion of the farmers' representatives that the thirty shillings minimum should be maintained subject to an extra half-hour daily being worked by the men.

No amendment on these lines was forthcoming, and the proposals were then confirmed by nine votes to seven, the workers' representatives voting against.

The decision will be reported to the Central Wages Board, who may, or may not, send it back for further consideration.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

TONE AND COMMENT.

DUBLIN QUIET.

TOBACCOS STRONG.

Though small in bulk, dealings on Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday were not devoid of interest. The Third Loan rose to par and Land Bonds to 99 11/16. Funding Loan again scored a substantial rise. Banks were featureless, and Guinness Units were easier. Cables and Wireless Pref. rose 3⅛ to 68⅛.

Among Rails, Great Southern Pref. lost a point at 34 and the Guar. ⅜ at 47⅜.

Among the Industrials, Tobacco Shares were strong, B.A.T. rising to 85s. 6d. and Imperials to 87s. 3d. It is now being more clearly recognised that, even if the British Chancellor does his worst, the profits of these big combines will not be affected to a great amount. Coats were unchanged, and Chemical Industries were firmer. "Chartered" lost the improvement of the previous day.

LONDON FIRM.

BRITISH FUNDS AGAIN STRENGTHEN.

Although there was no material expansion in the volume of trading passing in the London Stock Markets yesterday, distinctly brighter conditions developed, and quotations were marked forward in no uncertain fashion, the price movements registered at the close being, with a few minor exceptions, favourable to holders. Here and there outstanding features of strength were apparent, Anglo-Americans being marked up on the improved advices from New York, whilst Oil shares reflected American influences, and among these some appreciable gains were recorded. Although there was still only a moderate turnover in the gilt-edged section, firm conditions again prevailed, and slightly higher values resulted. War Loan Fives stiffened to 104⅜, an advance of ¼ on the day, while Consols 4 per cent. and Funding Loan were each ½ to the good. Dealings remained on a restricted scale in Foreign Government stocks, but steadier conditions ruled, with Brazilians rallying smartly from the recent depression. At the end Brazil 6½ per cent., 1927 marked an advance of 2 points to 67½, while German Sevens gained a full point to 106. Idle conditions still characterised the market for British Rails. Rather steadier conditions ruled among Colonial and Foreign Rails, Argentines especially displaying a better front. More active conditions developed in the Industrial sections, though trading could by no means be termed as brisk. United Molasses continued an active centre, and Cables and Wireless attracted attention, while the international merger scheme was responsible for another advance in Imperial Chemical issues, but the best prices were not held. Tobacco shares were a firm market, and Matches improved.

DUBLIN BUSINESS DONE.

FUNDS STEADY. CABLES PREF. STRONG. INDUSTRIALS IDLE.

In Funds, National Loan was marked 105 bid, and do. Deed repeated 104⅞. Third Loan rose 1/16 at 100. Land Bonds improved 1/16 at 99 11/16, and do. (small lots under £200) were ¼ better at 99⅞. Consols eased 1/16 at 57 5/16, and 5 per cent. War Loan repeated 104 11/16. Funding Loan rose ½ at 93¼, after 93. Dublin Corporation 5 per cent. Inscribed unchanged at 104½.

Bank of Ireland was marked 346 bid, and Hibernian lost ⅛ at 11⅝. Munster and Leinster unaltered at 6 5/16, and National improved 3d. at 48s. 9d.

Guinness was 1½d. lower at 98s. 4½d.

Grand Canal Ord. was marked 90s. bid and 95s. 6d. asked.

Cables Pref. put on 3⅛ at 68⅛.

In Rails, Great Northern Pref. was marked 35 bid and 37 asked, and Great Southern Pref. lost 1 at 34. The Guaranteed fell ⅜ at 47⅜, and the Debs. repeated 63⅜.

Webb (J. H.) improved 3d. at 1s. 3d.

Among Industrials, "Bats" were 1s. 6d. higher at 85s. 6d., and "Imps" rose 6d. at 87s. 3d. Imperial Tobacco of Canada changed hands at 41s. 1½d. Coats unaltered at 52s., after 52s. 1½d., and Chemicals were 1½d. better at 17s. 1½d. The Defs. were 3½d. higher at 4s. 1½d. Chartered B.S.A. eased 4½d. at 27s. 1½d.

Independent Pref. put on 3d. at 20s. 9d., and Lever 8 per cent. Pref. unchanged at 22s. 9d.

"Other business done" included Agricultural Bank of Egypt Def. at 650, and Lipton 6 per cent. 2nd Pref. at 10s. 1½d. x.d.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

Nat. Loan...(105)	105b	G.S. Pref.........(35)	34
Do. Deed...(104⅞)	104⅞	Do. Guar.....(47¾)	47⅜
Third Loan...(99⅞)	100	Do. Deb.......(63⅜)	63⅜
Land Bonds..(99⅝)	99 11/16	Webb (J. H.)...(1/-)	1/3
Do. (small lots under £200)......(99⅝)	99⅞	B.A.T. ....(84/-)	85 6
Consols ......(57⅜)	57 5/16	Coats..(52/-)	52/1½ *2/-
5% War Loan (104 11/16)	104 11/16	Chemicals...(17/-)	17/1½
Funding Loan (92⅞)	93 *3¼	Do. Def....(3/10)	4/1½
Dublin 5% Inscr. (104½c)	104½c *½c	Imp. Tobac. Canada	41/1½
Bank Stock.(346c)	346b	Imp. Tobac..(86/9)	87/3
Hibernian ....(11¾)	11⅝	Independent Pref. (20/6)	20/9
Mun. & Lein.(6⅜)	6 5/16 * 5/16	Lever 8% Pf..(22/9)	22/9
National ....(48/6)	48 9	Chartered B.S.A. (27/6)	27/1½
Guinness...(98/6)	98/4½	Agricl. Bank Egypt Def.	650
Canal Ord (90/-)	90/-b 95/6a	Lipton 6% 2nd Pref.	10/1½ x.d.
Cables Pref.....(65)	68⅛		
G.N. Pref.(34½)	35b 37a		

* Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' Rate (May 1, 1930)...	4 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred	3 %
Deposits	1½%

The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango	April 20	May 4
Ticket	April 21	May 5
Intermediate	April 22	May 6
Account day	April 23	May 7

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange was moderately active. Consols were done at 57⅜. Conversion 3½ per cent. Loan were higher at 80 5/16. Conversion 5 per cent. Loan, 104⅞. War Fives changed hands at 104⅜, 104⅞. Midland Bank partly paid shares changed hands at 8⅛. Belfast Corporation 1946-56 stock was done at 103⅛. Great Northern Railway stock 15½, and the 4 per cent. Pref. 35. Canadian Pacific 41⅛. There was little doing in Industrials. J. and P. Coats 52s. 3d. Dunvilles 7. Cold Storage Pref. 19s. 4½d. Swedish Match "B" 13 1/16. Imperial Chemical Ord. 17s. 4½d.

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MARKETS AT A GLANCE.

Thursday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London brighter.
Dublin quiet.
Birmingham Motors in demand.
Manchester Textiles harder.
New York weak.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	3	p.c.
Last Year	3½	p.c.
Irish Banks' Rate	4	p.c.
Ditto Deposits	1½	p.c.
London Day-to-Day Loans	2½-2¾	p.c.
London Fine 3-Months' Bills...	2 11/32	p.c.

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET.

CHEMICALS SUPPORTED.

While trading among Industrials still continued of small dimensions yesterday, a cheerful feeling pervaded most departments. A more hopeful view was taken of the outlook generally, and, although there were few fresh buyers about, it was sufficient to cause a considerable amount of "bear" closing, especially among the leading Tobacco shares. Imperial Chemicals continued in evidence on the oil from coal developments, and a further improvement was recorded in United Molasses on the eve of the annual meeting.

Irregularity characterised the trans-Atlantic group, which finished on the dull side in the late dealings. Nickels closed around 18 after being 18⅜, Brazilian Traction Common at 22½ after 22⅞, and Hydro-Electrics at 25⅛ after 25½. Radio Corp. remained a very uncertain market, the final quote of 20⅝ leaving them with a net loss of 1⅜. International Holdings gave way to 2½ on the decline in earnings. Columbia Graphophones closed the turn harder at 2 5/16 after 2⅜, and Gramophones (H.M.V.) at 2 5/16 after 2 3/16.

Cables and Wireless stocks were again steadily supported. The Pref. rose a point to 68, the "A" Ord. ⅜ to 27½, and the "B" Ord. ½ to 13¼.

Iron and Steel shares showed no decided trend.

There was little variation among Electricals.

In the Motor section, Austin Ord. further improved to 32s. 6d. Thomas Tillings held around 3 11/16, but Fords dwindled to 3⅛.

An upward tendency was noticeable among Breweries. Ind Coope went ahead to the extent of 1s. to 58s., and Hoare Ord. gained 9d. at 55s. 6d.

A good turnover was reported among the leading Tobacco shares, but this was largely in connection with "bear" covering. "Imps" were prominent with an improvement of ⅛ to 4 15/32, while "Bats" gained 1/16 at 4 3/16. Carreras "A," however, had buyers at 4 7/16.

Courtaulds strengthened 1/16 to 1 11/32, but the rest of the Rayon issues were quiet.

Textiles generally were allowed to sag. Bleachers dwindled to 11s. 6d., Listers to 11s. 9d., Patons and Baldwins to 21s. 9d., and Fine Spinners Pref. to 14s. 9d.

Provision issues were harder in places. Unilever rose 1/16 to 2 1/16, and Unilever (N.V.) 1/16 to 2⅛, while United Dairies advanced 6d. to 33s. 6d., and Tate and Lyle 4½d. to 36s. International Tea moved up 1½d. to 21s. 7½d., and Maypole Def. and Liptons recovered the dividend deductions. Schweppes Def. improved to 28s. 6d. at first, but fell back to 27s. 6d. following the announcement of the reduced distribution for the past year.

Bank shares showed a tendency to droop, but the movement was virtually confined to overseas issues.

Insurance issues were quietly irregular.

Shipping issues moved within narrow limits, the only notable change on balance being in Cunards, which rose 6d. to 11s.

A fairly large turnover was again recorded in Imperial Chemicals, and the various issues made further headway. The Ordinary finished 4½d. up at 17s. 4½d., the Pref. 6d. higher at 22s. 1½d., and the Deferred 1½d. better at 4s. 3d. Dunlops put on 1½d. to 12s. 6d., Spillers 3d. to 27s. 3d., Union Cold Storage 6 per cent. Pref. 1½d. to 19s. 6d., and United Molasses 6d. to 9s. The publication of the Kreuger and Toll report was responsible for an advance of ½ in the shares to 27. Swedish Match "B" finished 1/16 higher at 13 1/16, after being up to 13 3/16. Murex eased slightly to 41s.

OIL SHARES FIRM.

The firmer tendency which developed in the Oil share market on Wednesday, and particularly among the leaders, continued in evidence yesterday. The market was helped by the more satisfactory advices from New York, higher prices coming over for several American Oil Stocks, while encouragement was derived from the decrease in production of crude oil in the United States last week and the reduction of petrol stocks in America. Dealers reported some increase in the volume of transactions in the better-class shares on behalf of the general public, but no improvement was noticeable among the more speculative issues. Paris came in a buyer of its favourites, such as Mexican and Canadian Eagles and Shells, but Amsterdam was hardly a factor in the day's business. At the close higher prices were general among the leaders, but few movements were recorded in Miscellaneous descriptions.

RUBBER SHARES STEADY.

Steadier conditions characterised the Rubber Share Market, although there was no expansion in the volume of trading passing, the improvement marked in commodity quotations exercised a beneficial influence in the share section. In the raw material department spot sold from 3 5/16d. to 3⅜d. per lb., and April from 3¼d. to 3 5/16d. per lb., while July to September fetched 3½d. per lb. and October to December 3 11/16d. per lb.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—**Consols**—57⅝, 7/16, ½, 11/16, 9/16, ¾, ⅜, 13/16. **5 p.c. War Loan**—104 11/16, ⅝, 9/16, ¾, *¾, 23/32. **Funding Loan**—93⅛, 1/16, ¼, 3, 3/16, ⅜, 7/16, 5/16. **Conversion Loan 3½ p.c.**—79⅞, ¾, 13/16. **ditto 4½ p.c.**—101 15/16, ⅞, 11/16, 2, 1 13/16, ¾, 27/32; **ditto 5 p.c.**—104 15/16, ⅞, 11/16, 13/16, ¾, 5, ⅛. **4 p.c. Consols**—90⅞, 13/16, 1, ⅛, 1/16, 90 13/16, 1¼, 3/16, ⅜. **4½ p.c. Treasury Bonds**—101⅜, 5/16, 11/32. **Free State Land Bonds**—99⅝, 11/16, ½. **Australia 5 p.c. Stock**—75½, 6, ½, ¼. **Aerated Bread**—18/9, 4½d., 7½d. **African and Eastern**—5/3. **Allied Newspapers Ord.**—16/-. **Anglo-Dutch Rubber**—15/9, 4½d., 1½d., 3¾d. **Associated Cement** (x.d.)—22/6, 1½d., *1/10½, 10½d., *3/6, 3d., 2/-. **Associated Newspapers Def.** (x.d.)—20/-, 6d., 1½d., 3d., 4½d. **Bovril Def.**—36/3, 7/-. **Brazilian Traction**—22¼, ¾, ⅝, *⅝, ⅞, 13/16, 11/16, ½. **British American Tobacco**—85/-, 3¾d., 10½d., 7½d., 4/4½. **British Celanese**—7/3. **British Match Ord.**—24/-. **British Oil and Cake** (x.d.)—28/1½, 3d., 9d., 6d. **Buenos Ayres Great Southern**—63½, ¾, 2½, *½, 3. **Cables and Wireless "A"**—23¾, ½, ⅝, 4, ⅛, ¼, ¾, ½, 3/16; **ditto "B"**—12⅝, *¾, 13, ⅝, ¼, ⅛, 12¾, ⅞; **ditto 5½ p.c. Pref.**—66⅝, ¼, ⅞, 7¾, ½, ⅝, 8, 7⅛. **Canadian Pacific**—41, ⅛, ¼, ½, 3/16, *¾, *¾, *¼, ⅜. **Central Argentine Cons.** (x.d.)—55½, 6¼. **Coats**—52/-, 6d., 3d., 1/10½. **Courtaulds**—33/4½, 2/9¾, 3/3, 1½d., 6d. **Cunard Ord.**—10/9, 7½d., 10½d., 11/-, 1½d., 6d. **"Daily Mail" Trust**—42/-, 3d. **"Daily Mirror" Ord.**—16/7½, 9d., 10½d., 6d. **Dunlop Ord.**—12/6, 2¼d., 4½d., 7½d. **Dunlop 6 p.c. Debs.**—103. **Dunlop Plantations**—*19/6, 10½d. **Ford Motors**—62/6, 9d. **Gallaher Pref.**—*23/1½, 2/9. **General Electric**—45/9, 6d. **General Electric Debs.**—100⅛. **Grand Central Rubber**—8/-. **Great Western Rail**—63, ¼, ⅛, ⅜. **Great Western 5 p.c. Pref.**—*89¼, ¼, ⅝. **Greek 7 p.c. Refugee**—103⅞. **Guinness Ord.**—99/6, 8/6. **Harland and Wolff Pref.**—3/3. **Harrods Ord.**—*58/-, 9d., 8/-, 9/-. **Highlands Rubber** 14/9. **Hungarian 7½ p.c., 1924**—101, ¼. **Imperial Airways**—16/6, 7½d. **Imperial Chemical Ordinary** — 17/-, 1½d., 3d., 4½d., *1½d.; **do. Def.**—4/-, 3d., 1½d., 4½d., 2¼d. **Imperial Tobacco**—87/6, 8/1½, 7/9¾, *8/1½, 7/3, 8/9. **International Holdings**—2 11/16, ½, ⅝, 7/16, ⅜. **International Nickel** (dols.)—*18, 18, 1/16, 3/16, ⅜, ¼, 5/16. **Lever 7 p.c. Pref.**—23/3, 1½d., 4½d., *3/-. **Lipton Ord.** (x.d.)—5/6, 4½d., *4½d. **London, Midland and Scottish Ord.**—25, 4¾, 15/16, 5¼, ⅛. **London and N.E. Pref.-Ord.**—14¾, 15, ⅛, 14⅜; **do. Def.-Ord.**—5 11/16, ½, ¾. **Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.**—94/9. **Malayalam Rubber**—10/6, 1½d., 4½d., 3d. **Marconi Marine** (x.d.)—38/1½, 7/6; **do. Canada**—13/9. **Maypole Def.** (x.d.)—4/4½, 6d., *6d. **Metropolitan Rail**—54¼. **Metropolitan District**—74½. **Phillips (Godfrey) Ord.**—18/-. **Prov. Cinema Theatres**—16/9. **Roan Antelope**—17/6. **Rubber Trust**—15/0¾, 3d., 6d., 4½d., 1½d. **Southern Rail Pref.-Ord.**—61, 60½, ¼, *¼, ¾, 60; **do. Def.-Ord.**—20¼, ⅜, ⅛, 20, 3/16, *20. **Sudan Plantations**—29/-. **"Sunday Pictorial" Ord.**—41/-, 3d. **Swedish Match "B"**—13, ⅛. **Tobacco Securities Ord.**—61/3, *3d.; **do. Def.**—77/6, *6d. **United Dairies**—33/-, 3d., 4½d. **Unilever Ord.**—40/11¼, 1/3, 2/3; **do. N.V.**—42/9¾, 6d., 1/10½.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

—	Closing.		Rise or fall.
Consols 2½%	57	58	....
Do. 4%	90½	91½	+ ½
War Loan 4½%	101½	102½	....
Do. 5%	104½	105	+ ¼
Funding Loan	93	94	+ ½
Victory Bonds	96	97	− ½
3½% Conversion Loan	79½	80½	....
4½% Conversion Loan	101½	102½	....
5% Conversion Loan	104½	105½*	....
Irish Free State 4½% Land Bonds	99	101	....
India 3%	50	53	....
Do. 3½%	59	62	....
Do. 4½%	81	84	....
Do. 5½%	100½	101½	....
Local Loans	66	67	....
Sudan 5½%	105	107*	....

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Australian Com. 5 p.c.	70	80	....
Do. do. 6 p.c.	82	92	....
British Columbia 4½ p.c. 1941	95	97	....
Canada 4 p.c., 1940-60	93	95*	....
Cape 3½ p.c. Cons.	83	85	....
Ceylon 6 p.c.	104	106	....
N.S.W. 5 p.c., 1945-65	60	70	....
Do. 6½ p.c., 1930-40	80	90	....
New Zealand 6 p.c., 1936-51	100	103	....
Do. 5 p.c., 1946	98	101	....
Nigeria 6 p.c.	110	112	....
Queensland 5 p.c., 1940-50	65	75	....
South African 5 p.c., 1933-43	101	103	....
South Australian 5 p.c., 1932-42	63	73	....
Do. 4 p.c., 1940-60	55	65	....
Victoria 5 p.c. 1932-42	63	73	....
Do. 5 p.c., 1945-75	63	73	....
Western Australian 5 p.c., 1945-75	68	78	....
Do. 6 p.c., 1930-40	76	86	....

BANKS.

Anglo-South American	5⅛	5⅝	− ⅛
Bank of Australasia	8½	9	....
Bank of England	260	266‡	....
Bank of Montreal	59	62	− ½
Bank of New South Wales	21	24*	....
Bank of New Zealand	2¼	2½	....
Barclay's "A" Shares	8⅛	8⅜	....
British Overseas	5⅜	5⅝	....
Canadian of Commerce	45	48	− ½
Chartered of India	15	16*	....
Hong Kong and Shanghai	107	111	−2
Lloyds	57/0	59/0	....
Midland	8⅜	8⅝	− 1/16
National Discount "B"	9¾	10¼	....
National Provincial (£4 pd.)	13 1/16	13 5/16	....
Royal of Canada	58	61	....
Standard of South Africa	13¾	14¼	....
Union of Australia	6½	7½	....
Westminster Bank (£1)	72/6	74/6	....

FOREIGN BONDS.

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103½	Austrian 6 p.c. Guar.	103	105	....
111¾	Belgian 7 p.c.	111	113	....
71½	Brazil 6½ p.c. Bds. '27	66	69	+2
83	Do. 5 p.c. Fund. 1898	81	84	....
69	Do. 5 p.c. do. 1914	67	70	....
90	Chinese 4½ p.c. 1898	89	91	....
48	Do. 5 p.c. 1912	47	49	....
67½	Do. 5 p.c. Reorg. 1913	66½	68½	....
78	Chinese Imp. Ry. 5% Gold	76	79	....
48	Do. Shanghai Nanking 5 p.c.	46	51	....
24	Do. Tientsin Pukow 5 p.c.	21	26	....
110½	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	109	111*	....
77	Egyptian Unified	75½	77½	....
20⅞	French Loan 5 p.c.	20¾	21¼	....
20⅞	Do. 4 p.c.	20¼	21¼	....
104¼	German 7 p.c.	105	107	+1
103	Greek 7 p.c.	102	104	....
19½	Italian Rentes	18½	20½	....
101½	Japan 4 p.c. 1905	100	102	....
12½	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	11	13	....
13½	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas	11	15	....
4	Peruvian Corporation	3	5	....
20	Do. Pref.	19	21	....
71½	Do. Debs.	69	73*	....
85½	Poland 7 p.c. Sterling	84	87	....
44¼	Portuguese 3 p.c.	43	45	....
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	57	61*	....
10	Turkish Unified	9¾	10¾	....

BRITISH RAILS.

63½	Great Western	62½	63½	− ½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	89	92	....
25⅝	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord.	24½	25½	....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	49	52	....
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	75	80	....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref. 1923	42	45	−1
15¼	Ldn. North-East 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	14½	15½*	....
5⅝	Do. Def. Ord.	5½	6	....
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	49	52*	....
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	37	40*	....
54½	Metropolitan	53	56	....
75	Do. District	74	77	....
60½	Southern Pref. Ord.	60	62	....
20	Do. Def. Ord.	19½	20½	....
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	84	87	....
22/0	Underground Elec. (£1)	21/6	22/6	....
104½	Do. Income Bonds	103	105	....

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

44	Antofagasta Ord.	41	44	−1
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	64	66	....
—	Bahia Blanca Guar. Stk.	76½	78½	....
65	Buenos Ayres Gt. Sthn.	62½	64½*	....
49	Buenos Ayres & Pacific	47½	49½	....
51	Buenos Ayres and W.	49	51	....
—	Canadian National Guar.	70	72	....
41¾	Canadian Pacific ($25)	40½	41½	....
58	Central Argentine	55	57*	....
35	Do. Def.	34	37	....
47	Central Uruguay Ord.	46	49	....
13	Cordoba Central	12½	14½	....
25½	Do. 1st Pref.	25	27	....
18½	Do. 2nd Pref.	17½	19½	....
66½	Entre Rios	64	66*	....
—	Do. 6 p.c. Cum. Pref.	86	88*	....
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	86	88	....
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	85	87*	....
—	Internl. of Cent. Amer.	11	14	....
22½	Leopoldina	20½	22½	+ ½
1½	Mexican Rails	1	2	....
3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	2	4	....
2	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	1	3	....
140	San Paulo Ord.	140	146	....
5½	United Havana	4½	6½	....

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	184	187	−1
—	Chicago Milwaukee New	5½	6½	....
27	Erie	27	30	....
—	Do. 1st Pref.	36	39	+2
—	New York Central	110	113*	....
—	New York Ontario	6	8	....
—	Pennsylvania	56	59	....
45	Southern Common	42	45*	....
—	Southern Pacific	96	99	....
187	Union Pacific	182	187	....

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

21/3	Allsopp £1 Shares	21/9	22/9	....
58/6	Bass, Ratcliff Ord.	59/6	60/6	+0/6
5/0	Brewers of Vancouver	4/9	5/3	....
—	City of London Def. (5/-)	9/3	10/3	....
55/6	Courage Ord.	52/6	53/6*	....
51/6	Distillers Ord.	52/0	53/0	+0/6
98/3	Guinness Ord. (£1 units)	98/3	99/3	....
54/0	Hoare and Co.	55/0	56/0	+0/9
56/6	Ind Coope Ord.	57/6	58/6	+1/0
60/0	South African Breweries	60/9	61/9	....
—	Walker (John) Pref.	23/3	24/3	....
50/0	Watney Combe Def.	50/0	51/0	....

ELECTRIC SUPPLY.

—	Bournemouth and Poole	60/9	61/9	+0/3
29/9	Charing Cross	29/0	30/0*	....
—	Chelsea Ord.	28/0	29/0	....
37/9	City of London Def. (5/-)	36/9	37/9*	....
45/9	County of London	45/6	46/6*	....
—	Lancashire	23/6	24/6	....
34/0	London Electric	34/0	35/0*	....
40/0	Metropolitan	39/9	40/9	+0/3
23/6	Newcastle	22/6	23/6*	....
29/0	St. James's	28/6	29/6	....
—	South London	27/6	28/6*	....
29/0	Westminster Electric	28/0	29/6	....
27/6	Whitehall Inv. Pref.	24/6	25/0*	....

INSURANCE.

18⅝	Alliance £20 (£2 4/- p.)	18⅛	19⅛	....
12⅝	Atlas £5 (£1 5/- paid)	12⅜	12⅞	....
22⅞	Com. Un. (£2½ paid)	22¼	23¼	− ⅛
11½	Eagle Star Ord. £3	11¼	12¼*	....
68/3	Employers £1 (5/- paid)	66/0	68/0*	....
15	Gen. Accdt. £5 (£1¼ p.)	14⅞	15⅜	....
10¼	Guardian £3 (10/- paid)	10	10½	....
27	L. & Lan. Fire £5 (£1 p.)	26¾	27¾	− ¼
9⅜	Lon. Ass. £2½ (£1½ p.)	8⅞	9⅜	....
34½	N.B. & Mer. £5 (£1¼ p.)	34	35	....
15⅝	Northern £10 (£1 paid)	15⅛	16⅛	....
13	Phœnix £10 (£1 paid)	12⅝	13⅝	+ ⅛
13¾	Do. £1 (f.p.)	13⅝	14⅛	+ ⅛
23¾	Prudential	23⅛	24⅛	....
1 13/16	Do. "B" £1 (4/- p.)	1 11/16	1 15/32	....
6⅝	Royal Exchange	6	6½	− ⅛
7⅛	Royal Ins. £1 (10/- p.)	7⅝	8⅛	....
72/0	Sun Ins. £1 (5/- paid)	71/6	72/6	....
57	Sun Life £10	56½	58½	....
6⅜	Yorkshire 50/- (10/- p.)	6⅛	6⅝	....

IRON, COAL AND STEEL.

3/6	Amal. Anthracite	3/3	3/9	....
51/6	Babcock, Wilcox Ord.	52/0	53/0	+0/6
2/0	Baldwins	1/10½	2/4½	+0/1½
2/6	Brown (John)	2/0	2/6	−0/3
4/3	Buell Combustion	3/6	5/0	....
1/3	Cammell Laird	1/3	1/9	....
53/9	Cory (William)	53/0	54/0	−0/3
4/4½	Dorman Long	4/1½	4/7½	....
17/1½	Guest Keen	16/6	17/6	....
1/6	Pease and Partners	1/4½	1/10½	+0/1½
17/0	South Durham Steel	17/0	18/0	....
16/9	Stewarts and Lloyds Def.	15/9	16/9*	....
7/10½	Vickers Ord.	7/4½	7/10½*	....

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

27/6	Argentine Land Invest.	1 5/16	1 7/16	....
16/6	Do. Southern Land	¾	⅞	....
—	City San Paulo Impts.	4/9	5/0	....
12/3	Forestal Land	11/9	12/6	....
1 9/16	Hudson's Bay Ord.	1½	1⅝	....
⅞	Hyderabad Deccan	13/16	15/16	....
4/6	Pekin Syndicate	3/0	4/0	....
0/4½	Rio de Janeiro (1/- sh.)	0/3	0/6	....
1 15/32	Sudan Plantations	1 1/16	1½	....

NEWSPAPERS.

20/6	Assd. Newspapers Df. (5/-)	20/0	21/0	....
16/0	Allied News Ord.	15/6	16/6	....
—	Amal. Press	17/3	18/3	....
42/0	Daily Mail Trust	41/6	42/6	....
16/7½	Daily Mirror Ord.	16/6	17/0	....
—	Financial Newspapers	¼	⅜	....
2 1/32	Sunday Pictorial	2	2 1/16	....

NITRATES.

3	Alianza	2½	3½	....
1/6	Lagunas Nitrate	1/9	2/3	....
7/0	Liverpool	7/0	8/0	....
10/0	New Tamarugal	7/16	9/16	....
4/0	Rosario Nitrate	2/6	3/6	....
5/0	Tarapaca Nitrate	4/0	5/0	....

United Molasses—8/9, 10½d., 9/-, 1½d., 3d. **United Serdang Rubber**—1/11¾, 2/-. **Vickers** (x.d.)—7/6, 8¼d. **Vine Products**—6/-. **Watney, Combe Def.**—50/-, 9d., 3d., 49/9. **Westminster Bank**—72/9, *9d., 3/9, 6d., 3/-, 4½d., 3d.
(* Exceptional bargain at special price.)

OIL PRODUCTION.

Tocuyo Oilfields of Venezuela.—Oil produced during March, 1931, 2,348 tons.

MARCH TIN OUTPUTS.

Idris Hydraulic, 20¾ tons; Kagera Uganda, 20 tons; South Bukeru, 11 tons.

OILS.

3 15/32	Anglo-American	76/0	77/0	....
8/6	Anglo-Ecuadorian	8/3	9/0	+0/3
2⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	2 3/32	2 5/32	....
2 1/32	Anglo-Persian Ord.	2 1/16	2⅛	+ 1/16
25/6	Do. 8 p.c. 1st Pref.	25/1½	25/7½	....
27/6	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	27/1½	27/7½	....
10/0	Apex Trinidad (5/- shares)	9/10½	10/4½	....
¾	Attock	23/32	27/32	....
6/0	British Borneo Pet. (10/-)	5/9	6/6	....
4/0	British Burmah (8/-)	3/10½	4/4½	....
2/7½	British Controlled	2/3	2/6	....
4/9	Do. Pref.	4/3	4/9	....
3	Burmah	3 3/32	3 5/32	+ 1/16
27/1½	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	26/10½	27/4½	....
8/6	Canadian Eagle Ord.	8/10½	9/1½	+0/6
12/7½	Do. 7 p.c. 1st. Pref. ($5)	12/4½	12/10½	....
9/9	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	9/3	10/3	....
2/4½	Kern River (10/-)	2/1½	2/7½	....
1 1/16	Lobitos	1 1/32	1 3/32	....
8/9	Mexican Eagle Ord.	8/10½	9/1½	+0/4½
9/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	8/9	9/9	....
8/4½	Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref. (4 pesos)	8/0	8/6	....
0/4½	North Caucasian (10/-)	0/3	0/9	....
—	Pan-American "B"	$32½	33½	....
6/0	Phoenix Oil	5/9	6/3	....
3/0	Do. 1/- shares	2/9	3/3	....
23	Royal Dutch	23⅛	23⅜	+ ⅜
5 3/32	Shell Transport	5 5/32	5 7/32	+ 1/16
10⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9½	10	....
24/0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	24/0	24/6	+0/1½
0/3	Spies (2/-)	0/1½	0/4½	....
3/9	Steaua Romana	3/3	3/9	−0/3
5/9	Tankers Pref.	5/6	6/0	....
1/0	Trinidad Central	0/6	1/6	....
1 3/32	Trinidad Leasehold	1 1/32	1 5/32	....
5/0	United Brit. Trinidad	4/9	5/0	....
1 9/16	V.O.C. Holdings	1 17/32	1 19/32	+ 1/32
1 9/16	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	1 17/32	1 19/32	+ 1/16

RUBBERS.

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0/1½	Amal. Finance	0/2	....
16/9	Anglo-Dutch	15/3	−0/6
0/9	Anglo-Java	0/9	....
5/6	Anglo-Malay	5/0	....
1/4½	Bukit Mertajam	1/4½	....
0/6	Bukit Sembawang	0/4½	....
8/9	Grand Central	8/9	....
15/0	Highlands	15/0	....
7/3	Jugra Land	7/3	....
1 5/32	Kuala Lumpur	23/9	....
17/32	Linggi	10/7½	....
2/3	London Asiatic	2/3	....
¾	Malacca	13/9	....
10/6	Malayalam	10/6	....
1/1½	Merliman	1/1½	....
16/0	Rubber Trust	15/3	....
7/16	Tandjong	8/9	....
14/0	Tandjong Malim	13/9	....
1 9/16	United Sua Betong	30/0	....
7/9	Vallambrosa	7/6	....

Allagar	1/0	....	Laras Deb.	45	....
Batu Tiga	11/3	....	Ledbury	14/9	....
Bernam Pref.	0/10½	....	Manch'r N.B.	5/0	....
Brit. I. G. Trst.	52½	....	N. Hayoep	0/3	....
Do. Pref.	25	....	N. Hummock	5/3	....
Broome Sel.	4/6	....	P.P.K. (C'y'n)	7/6	....
Chersonese	1/3	....	Pataling	10/6	....
Cicely	2/9	....	Perak (2/)	1/4½	....
Eastern Trst.	13/9	....	Rim Malacca	0/10	....
F.M.S. Plant	16/3	....	Sedenak	10/0	....
Gen. Ceylon	10/0	....	Serdang (C'tl.)	5/3	....
Glenbervie	4/4½	....	Soember Ajoe	1/3	....
Golden Hope	10/1½	....	Sungei K'par.	1/7½	....
Java Amal.	10/0	....	Sungei Siput	0/4½	....
Kamuning	1/9	....	Taiping	0/9½	....
Kepitigalla	0/10	....	Telogoredjo	7/0	....
Kuala Sel.	2/3	....	Yam Seng	1/6	....
Laras	0/4½	....			

REFRESHMENT AND FOOD.

17/9	Aerated Bread	18/0	19/0	....
36/6	Bovril Def.	36/3	37/3	....
1/6	Crosse and Blackwell	1/3	1/9	....
14/4½	Home and Colonial (4/-)	13/9	14/3*	....
5/1½	Lipton	5/3	5/9*	+0/1½
10/9	Lovell and Christmas	15/32	19/32	....
4 25/32	Lyons (J.)	4 11/16	4 13/16	....
	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	22/6	23/6	....
4/6	Maypole Def.	4/4½	4/7½*	+0/1½
—	Scribbans	13/3	13/6	−0/4½
—	Do. Def. (1/-)	1/7½	1/10½	....
28/0	Schweppes Ord.	1 5/16	1 7/16	....
½	Smithfield Arg. Meat	5/16	7/16	....

SHIPPING.

—	Cairn Line	2/0	4/0	....
—	Cunard Ord.	10/0	12/0	+0/6
—	Elder Dempster 6% Pref.	0/6	2/6	....
—	Furness Withy	25/0	27/0	....
—	P. and O. Def. (£1)	27/6	29/6	....
—	Royal Mail Ord.	2	5	....
—	White Star 6½% Pref.	3/6	5/6	....

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	11	7/8	Imperial	7/8	....
Assam Co.	⅞	− 1/32	Jetinga Valley	1⅜	....
Assam Consol.	3/16	− 1/16	Jhanzie	1 9/16	....
Assam Front'r	11/16	....	Jokai	1¾	− 1/16
Bog'want'lawa	77/3	....	Jorehaut	2 1/16	....
Forelli	42/0	....	Kanan Devan	22	....
Brahmapootra	25	....	Lebong	3⅛	− 1/16
Brit. Indian	1½	....	Lungla	¼	....
Budla Beta	47/9	−1/0	Makum	1 5/16	....
Ceylon Plant	3½	− 1/16	Moabund	33/9	+0/7½
Ceylon Prop.	30/6	....	Nedeem	1¼	....
Chargola	20/0	....	New Dimbula	4⅞*	....
Chubwa	1⅝	− ⅛	Nuwara Eliya	5	....
Chulsa	2 7/16	....	Ouvah	3	− 1/16
Con. Tea & L.	1	....	Peacock & Nil.	1/7	....
Darjeeling Co.	2 5/16	− 1/16	Pabbojan	79/6	−1/0
Do. Consol.	3 1/16	....	Pundaloya	84/0	....
Deundi	9/0	....	Rosehaugh Cey.	23/6	....
Dimbula Val.	2 9/16	....	Scottish Assam	35/9	....
Loars	1½	− 1/16	Scot. T. & Ln.	2⅛	....
Doom Dooma	2 11/16	....	Singlo	⅞	....
E. Assam	2 5/16	− 1/16	Sumatra	7/16	....
East Produce	2 3/8	....	Travancore	26/10½	....
Empire	1 1/16	− ⅛	Up. Assam	20/1½	....
Jalpha Cey.	2	....			

TEXTILES AND ARTSILKS.

—	Alliance Art Silk (5/-)	0/3	0/9	....
0/7½	Amalgamated Cotton	0/6	0/9	....
12/0	Bleachers	11/3	11/9	−0/3
18/0	Bradford Dyers	17/0	18/0	....
7/0	British Celanese Ord.	6/6	7/6	....
8/0	Do. Pref.	5/6	6/6	....
8/9	Calico Printers	8/3	9/3	....
2¼	Canadian Celanese	2⅛	2½	....
52/0	Coats	51/9	52/9	....
1⅝	Courtaulds	1 21/32	1 23/32	+ 1/16
—	Linen Thread Ord.	1 1/32	1 3/32	....
12/0	Lister Ord.	11/3	12/3	−0/3
7/9	Snia Viscosa	7/3	8/3	....

TELEGRAPHS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS.

26	Ang.-American Def.	25¼	26¼	....
66	Cables & Wireless 5½% Pf.	67	69	+1
23	Do. 7½% "A" Ord.	24	25	+ ¾
12½	Do. "B" Ord.	12¼	13¼	+ ½
1 31/32	Marconi Marine	1⅞	1 15/16*	....
15/6	Do. Canada	2 1/32	2 3/32	....
—	Oriental Telephone	2¼	2½	....
22⅝	Radio Corporation	20½	20¾	− 1⅜
10	Do. Pref.	9¼	9¾	....

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

5/9	African and East. Trade	4/9	5/9	....
23/9	Associated Cement	21/10½	22/4½*	....
21/9	Associated Electric Ind.	21/0	22/0	....
2/3	Baird Television Pf. Ord.	2/1½	2/7½	....
12/6	Borax Con. Def.	12/0	13/0	....
22¾	Brazilian Traction	22⅝	22⅝	+ ⅛
4 3/16	British-American Tobacco	4 7/32	4 1/32	+ 1/16
30/0	British Aluminium	28/9	29/9	....
6/0	British Inter. Pict. (5/-)	6/0	6/6	....
24/0	British Match	23/6	24/6	....
2⅛	British Portland Cement	2 5/32	2 7/32	+ 1/32
29/9	British Oil and Cake	29/6	30/6	....
58/0	Callender's Cable	57/0	59/0	....
24	Canadian Car	16½	18½	....
4¼	Carreras	4¼	4½	....
0/4	Chemical & Metal. (2/-)	0/1½	0/4½	....
2¼	Columbia Graphs.	2¼	2 5/16	+ 1/32
	Crittal's Manufacturing	18/3	19/3	−0/3
2/3	Crystalate Gramo. Ord.	2/0	2/6	....
12/3	Dunlop Rubber	12/4½	12/7½	+0/1½
19/9	Ever Ready (5/-)	19/3	19/9	....
3¼	Ford Motor	3 1/16	3 3/16	− 1/16
—	Gallaher Ord.	22/6	24/6*	....
45/6	General Electric Ord.	45/0	46/0	....
2⅛	Gramophone Ord.	2⅛	2 5/16	+ 1/32
	Harland Wolff Pref.	3/3	4/3	....
58/0	Harrod's Stores	58/0	59/0	−0/3
13/6	Harrod's (B.A.)	13/3	13/9	....
5⅝	Henley's Telegraph	5½	5⅝	....
	Imperial Airways	16/0	17/0	....
4 5/16	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	4 7/16	4½	+ 1/16
41/6	Do. Canada	41/0	42/0	....
16/3	Imp. Chem. Indus. Ord.	17/1½	17/7½	+0/4½
3/9	Do. Def.	4/1½	4/4½	+0/1½
2⅞	Internl. Holdings Ord.	2 7/16	2 9/16	− ¼
18	International Nickels	17⅞	18⅛	+ 5/16
36/3	Johnson and Phillips	35/6	36/6	....
26⅝	Kreuger and Toll	26¾	27¼	+ ½
23/1½	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	23/0	23/6	....
—	Machine Made Sales	1/4½	1/7½	....
—	North American Co.	79	80	+2
0/9	Parent Trust Def.	0/6	1/6	....
3/6	Platt Bros. Ord.	3/3	4/3	....
—	Reckitt Ord.	3 15/16	3 15/16	− 1/16
20/6	Roneo	1	1⅛	....
—	Ruth's Steam Stor. A.	2/3	2/9	....
1 5/16	Salt Union	1¼	1⅝*	....
79	San Paulo Tram Deb.	78	83	....
56½	Shawinigan Water Com.	54	56	....
13	Swedish Match B	13	13⅛	+ 1/16
39/9	Tate and Lyle	35/9	36/3	+0/4½
1/0	Taylor Cash Chem. Def.	10½	1/1½	....
—	Tilling Ord.	3⅝	3¾	....
—	Tobacco Trust Ord.	2⅞	3⅛	....
—	Do. Def.	3⅝	4⅛	....
1 7/16	Triplex Glass	1⅝	1½	....
2 1/16	Unilever Ord.	2 1/32	2 3/32	+ 1/32
2 3/32	Do. (N.V.)	2 3/32	2 5/32	+ 1/16
8/1½	United Molasses	8/9	9/3	+0/6
6/3	Vine Products Ord. 5/- Sh.	5/6	6/6	....
6/0	Vocalion Gramophone	6/0	6/9	....
0/9	Do. Foreign	0/1½	0/7½	....
31/9	Wallpaper Def.	31/6	32/6	....

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum. div. § Ex bonus.

LONDON "STREET" MARKET.

The attendance in the "Street" last evening was small, and business was negligible. Of the trans-Atlantics, International Nickels and Brazilian Tractions were easier at 18 1/16 and 22⅝, respectively. Of Mines, Randfonteins improved to 23s. 6d., while in the Industrial group, Imperial Chemicals were inquired for up to 17s. 4½d.

PRICES OF RECENT ISSUES.

Birkenhead 4½ p.c., 51-61—⅞-⅜ dis.
Calcutta (New)—5/9-6/9 prem.
Com. de Sal. de Chili 7 p.c.—2½-2 dis.
Cunard House Deb.—2½-3 prem.
Derby 4½ p.c., 51-61—⅛ dis.-⅜ prem.
Gold Coast—Par-½ prem.
India (New) 5½ p.c. (fully paid)—96¼-96½.
Lancashire Cotton Deb.—6½-5½ dis.
National Shipbuilders Debs.—1¼-0¾ dis.
Rio Tinto Deb. (New)—1¼-0¾ dis.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance, £18 11/-; Atlas, 12¾; Commercial Union, 23, 1/16, 2⅞, 15/16; Employers' Liability (x.d.), 67/6, 6/3; London and Lancashire Fire, 27⅛; London Assurance, 9⅛; North British and Mercantile, 34⅜, ½, ¼; Phœnix, £13 0/9; do. £1 (fully paid), 13⅞; Prudential, 23¾, ½; do. "B" £1 (4/- paid), 35/6, 9d.; Royal Exchange, 6 5/16, 7/16, 3/16; Royal Insurance, 7⅞; Sun Insurance, 72/3.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Alliance Assurance, 18½; Commercial Union, 23 1/16, 3; London and Lancashire, 27½, ¼; London Assurance, 9 3/32; North British and Mercantile, 34½; Northern Assurance, Part. Pref., 319/9; Phœnix Assurance, 13; Royal Exchange Assurance, 6¼; Royal Insurance, 7 13/16, ⅞; Scottish Union and National, 14 13/16; Sea Insurance, 71/9¾; Sun Insurance, 72/-.

LONDON MINING MARKET IMPROVES.

KAFFIRS BUOYANT.

The Mining market, as a whole, enjoyed considerably wider attention yesterday, and the Kaffir section was quite buoyant. A great deal of interest centred upon Randfontein, which were bought on home, Cape and Paris account. A private cablegram from the Cape confirms the high values encountered in the No. 2 deep shaft, and also states that in the northern portion of the property the ore has become much richer. Naturally, a good deal of profit-taking was indulged in, but the final price was well above the overnight's level and, in fact, constitutes a record for recent times. The news affected West Rand Consolidated in view of the possibilities of that company's deep level ground adjoining the Randfontein, and the shares went ahead sharply. Sub Nigel, East Rand, Crown Mines, Robinson Deep "B," Consolidated Main Reef and other counters usually favoured by the Cape were also distinctly harder. In the Rhodesian department, Chartered improved partly on Paris buying, but otherwise these descriptions were dull, with Rhokana, Roan Antelope and Bwana M'Kubwa marked back. Among Diamonds, De Beers Defd. came in for a little support, and registered a small improvement. The price of tin rallied to £116 5s. per ton, but this did not influence the share market to any material extent. The tone was, perhaps, a little firmer, but business was still on a very modest scale. Of the West Africans, Ashanti Goldfields were again rather offered, and with few buyers about the price further receded. In the Australian section, there was a modest demand for Lake View and Star, and the price was a trifle harder, but Wiluna were idle, though news is expected at any moment as to the progress of milling operations. The price of copper rose to £43 7s. 6d. per ton, and Rio Tinto rallied slightly. The report and accounts were regarded as satisfactory in the circumstances. Elsewhere, one or two Indians were inquired for and moved up, but Tigon were easier on balance. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. April 2.

16/9	Afric. & Eur.	17/9-18/3 +0/3
27/32	Ang.-A.Cp. 10/	13/16-⅞
⅝	Anglo-Fr'ch.	19/32-21/32
3	Brakpan	2 31/32-3 1/32
8	Cent. Mining	8⅜-8⅝
5/0	City Deep	4/3-5/3 −0/3
1 17/32	Con. Goldf'ds	1½-1 9/16 + 1/32
24/0	Cons. M. Reef	23/7½-24/1½ +0/1½
9/0	Con. M. Sel.	8/9-9/3
4 9/32	Crown Mines	4 5/16-4⅜ + 1/32
16/3	Durban Deep	16/0-16/6
11/6	E. Rand Prop.	11/3-12/6 +0/6
4	Geduld	3 31/32-4 1/32 − 1/32
8/0	Golden Deep	7/0-8/3
1	Gen. Mining	31/32-1 1/32
1 9/16	Govt. M. (5/)	1 9/16-1⅝ + 1/16
29/3	Johan'nvstt	29/9-30/9 +0/3
3/3	Kleinfontein	3/0-3/6
10/3	Knight's	9/6-10/6
26/0	Langlaagte	25/9-26/3
25/32	Meyer & Char.	25/32-27/32
4	Modderfontn.	3⅝-3 7/16
10/3	Modder B.	9/9-10/9
1 3/32	Modder Deep	1 1/16-1⅛
1⅝	Modder East	1 11/16-1¾ + 1/16
2 5/32	New S. Areas	2⅛-2 3/16
¼	Nigel	7/32-11/32
14/6	Nourse	14/0-14/6
1/6	Oceana Con.	0/1½-0/4½
0/10½	Potgeit'rust.	0/9-1/0
3 1/16	Rand Mines	3 1/16-3⅛
21/3	Randfontein	23/7½-/10½ +1/1½
11/6	Robin Deep B	11/7½-/10½ +0/1½
6/3	Rose Deep	6/3-6/9
3/7½	Simmer & J.	3/4½-3/7½
8/9	S.A. Towns	8/6-8/9
3⅛	Springs	3⅛-3 3/16 + 1/32
15/0	Sth.-W. Af.	14/6-15/6
3⅛	Sub Nigel	3 5/32-3 7/32 + 5/32
3½	Trans. Dei. B	3⅜-3⅝
1 1/15	Trans. Con. L	20/3-21/3
2 25/32	Union Corp.	2 23/32-2 25/32 − 1/32
8/0	Van Ryn	7/6-8/6
1⅝	Do. Deep	1 11/32-1 13/32
1 9/16	Vereeniging	1½-1 5/8*
6/0	Village Deep	5/10-6/4½
11/1½	West R. Con.	11/9-12/0 +0/7½
13/9	West Springs	13/3-14/3
5/0	Wit. Deep	4/6-5/6

RUSSIAN.

0/6	Lena Gold	0/3-0/6
1/2	Lu.-Asiat. (2/6)	0/1½-0/4½

RHODESIAN.

M.U. April 2.

6/6	Bechuana Ex.	6/3-6/9
6/0	B. M'Kubwa	5/6-6/0 −0/3
1	Cam & Motor	15/16-1 − 1/32
27/9	Char. B.S.A.	27/6-27/9 +0/4½
—	Gaika Gold	0/3-0/9
15/9	Globe & Phœ.	15/3-15/9 −0/3
5/10½	Gold F. Rho.	5/6-6/0
1/10½	Loangwa	1/7½-1/10½
¾	Lonely Reef	23/32-25/32
4	Rezende	15/32-15/32
1/0	R. Broken H.	1/0-1/3
1 3/16	Rho. Katanga	1 3/16-1 5/16
7	Rhokana Corp.	7-7½ − ¼
29/32	Roan Antel. (5/)	27/32-29/32 − 1/32
2/9	Selukwe (2/6)	2/4½-2/7½
1/0	Shamva	0/6-1/6
1⅛	Sherw'd Star	1 1/16-¾
3/0	S. Rhd. Mt's.	2/6-3/0
1 7/16	Tangan. Con.	1 9/32-1 11/32
2 29/32	Vic. Falls Ord.	2 29/32-2 31/32
34/3	Do. Pref.	34/0-35/0
19/0	Wankie Col.	18/0-19/0
1	Zamb. Expl.	15/16-1

DIAMOND.

⅝	Angola Dia.	12/0-13/0
5/9	Cn. D.S.W.A.	5/3-5/9
5¼	De Beers Def.	5-5¼ + ⅛
8¾	Do. Pref.	8⅜-8⅝
1 5/16	Jagersf'tein	1 7/32-1 9/32
7/32	N. Val. River	3/16-5/16
2½	Premier Pref.	2¾-3¼
3/0	West African	2/6-3/6

AUSTRALIAN.

6/3	Amal. Zinc	6/3-7/3
10/6	B. Hill Prop.	½-9/16
1 5/16	Do. South	1¼-1⅜
7/16	Elec. Zinc Pf.	11/16-13/16
1/0	Lake V. Star	9/10-10/4 +0/1½
21/3	Lake V. Inv.	21/0-22/0
19/32	Mount Isa	9/16-⅝ − 1/32
1 1/16	Nth. Bn. Hill	1 11/16-1 13/16
11/6	Sth. Kalgurli	11/0-12/0
6/0	Sulphide Ord.	5/6-6/6
½	Do. Pref.	9/6-10/6
15/6	Wiluna Gold	16/9-17/9
1 3/16	Zinc Ord. (10)	¾-⅞
2⅝	Do. Pref.	2⅝-2¾

WEST AFRICAN.

30/0	Ashanti (4/)	28/6-29/6 −0/6
8/0	Fanti Cons.	7/6-8/6

TIN.

M.U. April 2.

5/0	Anglo-C. (10/)	4/0-5/0
7/9	Anglo-Orient	7/3-8/3
10/0	Do. Pref.	10/0-10/6
1 11/32	Aramayo	1 5/16-1 7/16
5/9	Associa'd Tin	5/1½-5/7½
6/0	B'siehi	5/6-6/0
1 31/32	Gopeng	1⅞-2
16/0	Ipoh	15/6-16/6
5/6	Kaduna Synd.	9/16-11/16
5/7½	Kamunting	5/0-5/6
21/10½	Kram't Pu'ai	1 1/32-1 3/32 +0/4½
13/9	London Tin	12/3-13/3 +0/6
17/9	Malayan T.D.	17/0-18/0 +0/3
7/16	Naraguta	⅜-½
5/9	Pahang (5/)	5/3-5/9
6/3	Rambutan	¼-⅜
16/3	Renong	25/32-27/32
8/0	Siamese	7/9-8/3 +0/3
1/0	Sth. Bukeru	0/9-1/3
5/0	Tavoy (4/)	4/6-5/0 −0/3
14/0	Tronoh (5/)	13/4½-14/1½*

COPPER.

10/9	Messina	9/6-10/6
17/0	Mount Lyell	13/16-⅞
5/0	Namaqua	3/16-5/16
27½	Rio Tinto (£5)	26⅛-26⅝ + ⅛
3⅜	Tharsis	3⅛-3¼ − ⅛

MISCELLANEOUS.

8/6	Burma Corp.	8/7½-8/10½
—	C'mp Bird (2/)	0/4½-0/7½
8/0	Champ. Reef	6/9-7/9 +0/1½
5/0	Chos. Corp.	5/32-9/32
3/3	Explor. (10/-)	2/6-3/6
1/0	Keeley Silver	1/0-1/3
—	Mexico Min's	1/6-2/6
4	Min. Sepa'n	3⅞-4⅛
10/9	Min. Crp. Can.	9/0-9/6
10/0	Mysore (10/)	9/0-10/0 +0/1½
16/9	Nundydroog	15/0-16/0* +0/3
3/3	Ooregum	3/0-4/0
17/3	Panama Corp.	16/9-17/9
20/6	St. J. Del Rey.	20/3-21/3
12/6	San Fr'nsco.	12/0-13/0
7/6	Santa Gert.	7/3-7/9
13/9	Tigon Ming.	19/32-21/32
6/0	Trepca (2/6)	5/9-6/3
13/6	Waihi Gold	13/0-14/0

* Ex Dividend. † Ex Rights. ‡ Ex bonus.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

FOX FILM CAPITAL.

A number of prominent American bankers, including Mr. Albert H. Wiggin, chairman of the Chase National Bank of the City of New York, have been invited, and have agreed to join the directorate of the Fox Film Corporation as a preliminary step to completing the financial reorganisation of the company. The other new directors will be Messrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Philip Stockton, president of the First National Bank of Boston; Philip Clarke, president of the Central Trust Company of Illinois; Frank O. Watts, chairman of the First National Bank of St. Louis, and George M. Moffett, president of the Corn Products Company. Mr. H. L. Clarke will continue as president. The reorganisation of the company involves fresh financing to the extent of $75,000,000 (£15,000,000), and it is understood that the first portion of this, consisting of $30,000,000 (£6,000,000) in the form of Six per cent. Five-Year Convertible Debentures will be offered publicly within the next few days in New York by a banking syndicate headed by Chase Securities Corporation and including Dillon Read and Co., Bancamerica-Blair Corporation and others. The balance of the $75,000,000, it is stated, will be raised in the name of subsidiaries of Fox Film Corporation, and most of it will be placed privately.

MR. JESSE FRANK.

It is announced that Mr. Jesse Frank, having sold his shares in Bernhard, Scholle and Co., Ltd., the bankers, to the Central Mining and Investment Corporation, Ltd., has resigned his directorship of the former company. The Central Mining and Investment Corporation already has an interest in Bernhard, Scholle and Co. Mr. Jesse Frank is a director of the Anglo-Spanish Construction Co., Ltd., in which the Central Mining and Investment Corporation also has a holding. He is also director of Weymann's Motor Bodies (1925), Ltd.

U.S. AND WORLD DEBTS.

Reports from Washington say that Mr. Montagu Norman, the Governor of the Bank of England, at a meeting with President Hoover and Mr. Mellon, Secretary to the Treasury, has made a strong plea seeking a change in America's attitude towards debts and reparations in the interests of world recovery. No indication was given as to any success in his efforts.

PANAMA CORPORATION.

The holding of the special meeting of the Panama Corporation convened for 27th March to authorise an increase of capital and adjourned till after Easter has now been fixed for Friday, 17th April.

U.S. WHEAT ESTIMATES.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates the production of winter wheat in the United States at 644,000,000 bushels, as compared with the average production of 604,000,000 bushels for the preceding five years. The American carry-over for 1930 amounted to 275,000,000 bushels. The total surplus wheat production of the United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia combined will, it is estimated, total 762,000,000 bushels on July 1st next.

ASSOCIATED BRITISH CINEMAS DEAL.

We are informed that Associated British Cinemas, Ltd., are on the point of completing negotiations for the purchase of seven cinema theatres in the Liverpool and St. Helen's district. This acquisition will bring up the number of theatres owned or controlled by the company to about 130, the second largest circuit in the Kingdom. The company is controlled by British International Pictures, Ltd., which has thus a ready-made and valuable outlet for its productions, in addition to that provided by exhibitors in general.

CONDITIONS IN BRAZIL.

The weekly bulletin regarding conditions in Brazil, issued by the Brazilian Embassy, says that the Government has transferred to the Banco Franceze Italiano, of South America, instructions to pay in Paris the interest on the bonds issued for the payment of the works contracted with the Companhia Viacao Bahia. This service has been made until now, through the Caixa Commerciale Industrial of Paris, which is to-day in liquidation. The Government has issued decrees, making very considerable new economies in the expenses of the Finance Ministry. The coffee market is still improving.

SCHWEPPES REDUCED DIVIDEND.

It is evident that the year 1930 was less profitable for the business of Schweppes, the well-known makers of table waters, which now has a controlling interest in Kia-Ora, Limited. The dividend on the Deferred shares is reduced from 10 per cent. to 7 per cent., and presumably the Ordinary receive only the fixed 8 per cent., as compared with 9 5/16 per cent. paid for 1929. The Ordinary shares are entitled to a cumulative dividend of 8 per cent. and to one-fourth of the profits remaining, after paying 7 per cent. on the Deferred shares, the remaining three-quarters belonging to the latter. The amount of the Deferred shares is £525,000 and of the Ordinary £400,000, while there are 5 per cent. Cumulative Preference shares for £300,000, all of £1 each. The indicated reduction in dividends represents the distribution of £26,250 less among the Ordinary and Deferred shareholders, but fully £12,000 more at £48,377 is carried forward. The Deferred shares are quoted 1⅜, so that they yield little over 5¼ per cent. The Ordinary stand at about the same figure, and return over 6 per cent. on the basis of an 8 per cent. dividend.

THE MONEY MARKET

EASIER CONDITIONS.

Conditions were more comfortable in Lombard street yesterday in the absence of any repayments to the Bank of England. Short loans were usually obtainable at 2½ to 2¾ per cent., while old day-to-day money was renewed at 2½ per cent.

In the Discount market there was more inquiry for bills, with buyers of fine three months' maturities at 2 11/32 per cent. The new Treasuries were quoted at 2 5/16 per cent., but the banks were buyers of early June bills at 2 11/32 per cent., and of late June bills at 2⅜ per cent.

Bank Rate Discount (changed May 1, 1930) 3%

60 days (fine)		2 9/16 %			
3 months	2 9/16	2⅝ %	Trade	3	3½ %
4 "		2 11/16 %	"	3¼	3¾ %
6 "	2 11/16	2¾ %	"	3½	4 %
Loans to Brokers Day-to-day					3 %
" for a week					2 %
Deposit Allowance: Banks at Call					1 %
" Discount Houses at Call					1 %
" " at Notice					1¼ %

Silver rose 1/16d. for spot, and ⅛d. for forward delivery to 12 13/16d. per oz. for both positions on India and China buying. Gold was nominally quoted ⅜d. higher at 84s. 10½d. per oz. fine.

No bullion movements were reported at the Bank yesterday.

Movements in the Foreign Exchange market yesterday were distinctly favourable to sterling, the chief feature being the continued weakness of the franc, which closed 2½c. cheaper at 124.26. Reichsmarks depreciated by ½ pf. to 20.40½. Sterling on New York was steady during the day, and practically unchanged on balance at 4.85 11/16, while Canadian dollars also closed without alteration at 4.86⅛.

Centre	April 9 Closing Rates		April 8 Closing Rates		Par Exch
New York	4.85 21/32	4.85 23/32	4.85 21/32	4.85 15/16	4.86⅔
Montreal	4.86 1/16	4.86 3/16	4.86 1/16	4.86 3/16	4.86⅔
Amsterdam	12.11½	12.11¾	12.11⅞	12.11⅛	12.107
Berlin	20.40¼	20.40½	20.39¾	20.40¼	20.43
Brussels	34.92½	34.93	34.92¼	34.92¾	35.00
Copenhagen	18.16½	18.17	18.16½	18.17	18.159
Madrid	43.98	44.02	44.18	44.23	25.2215
Milan	92.82	92.84	92.81	92.83	92.46
Oslo	18.15⅞	18.16⅛	18.15⅞	18.16⅛	18.159
Paris	124.25	124.27	124.22	124.25	124.213
Stockholm	18.15	18.15½	18.15	18.15½	18.159
Zurich	25.23½	25.24	25.22½	25.23¼	25.2215
Alexandria	97 1/16	97 3/16	97 1/16	97 3/16	97.5
Athens	374¾	375¼	374¾	375¼	375
Helsingfors	192⅞	193⅛	192⅞	193⅛	193.23
Lisbon	108⅛	108⅜	108⅛	108⅜	4.50½
Prague	163 15/16	164⅛	163⅞	164⅛	164.25
Vienna	34.54	34.57	34.54	34.57	34.58½
Warsaw	43 5/16	43 7/16	43 5/16	43 7/16	43.38
B. Ayres	39 1/32	39 3/32	39 1/32	39 3/32	47.577
Lima 90 dys	16.95		16.97½		par
Mexico*	10.10	10.28	10.10	10.30	9.76
M'video*	34 5/16	34 7/16	34 11/16	34 13/16	51 1/16d
Rio de Jan.	3 11/16	3¾	3 19/32	3 21/32	5.89
Valparaiso	39.94		39.96		40
Calcutta	17 27/32	17⅞	17 27/32	17⅞	18
Kobe (p.yn.)	24⅛	24 15/32	24⅛	24 15/32	24.53
Shanghai*	15½	16	14¾	15¼	—
Singapore*	27 11/16	27 15/16	27 11/16	27 13/16	28d

*Rate quoted on London

MOTORS AND TEXTILES.

BIRMINGHAM.

Motor shares again in demand on encouraging trade reports. Rileys eagerly bought up to 35/-. Austins advanced again. Dunlops quietly firm.

Austin	33/-	Leyland	45/6
Do. Prefd.	13/4½	Lucas	65/9
Bluemels	17/6	Rolls	35/-
Components	5/-	Rover	6/-
Dennis	32/6	Singer	17/1½
Enfield	19/-	S.T.D.	1/4½
Ford	62/-	Standard	13/9
Guys	7/7½	Triumph	8/9
Humber	13/3	Dunlops	12/6

MANCHESTER.

Textiles have shown a rather harder tendency.

Bleachers, 11/6-12/-	Courtaulds, 33/-33/6
Calicos, 8/6-9/-	Dunlops, 12/6-12/9
Dyers, 17/3-17/6	Turner & Newall, 37/6-37/9
Cottons, 30/-31/-	Dobson & Barlow, 6/9-7/3
Spinners, 17/3-17/9	Wall Paper Def., 31/6-32/-
"Slubbers," 3/3-3/6	
Coats, 52/-53/-	
Velvets, 15/9-16/3	

BRITISH RAIL TRAFFICS.

Underground Electric of London Common Fund Co.'s—Week to April 4th, £275,300, decrease £30,900; to date £3,896,600, decrease £101,700.

L.G.O.S. Sub. Co.'s—Week to April 4th, £24,200; to date £269,300.

London and Sub. Traction Group—Week to April 4th, £41,100, decrease £3,200; to date £566,700; decrease £10,300.

G.W.R.—Past week £558,000, decrease £2,000; 14 weeks to date £6,647,000, decrease £1,027,000.

L.M.S.R.—Past week £1,257,000, decrease £28,000; 14 weeks to date £16,129,000, decrease £1,642,000.

L.N.E.R.—Past week £903,000, decrease £95,000; 14 weeks to date £12,220,000, decrease £1,585,000.

Southern—Past week £477,000, increase £84,000; 14 weeks to date £5,053,000, decrease £147,000.

NORTHERN FARM PRODUCE PRICES.

The following table has been issued by the Northern Ministry of Agriculture, giving particulars regarding average prices of certain classes of Agricultural Produce marketed in Northern Ireland during the week ended 4th April, 1931, together with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 1930:—

Description	Unit	Week ended 4/4/'31. s.	d.	Week ended 5/4/'30. s.	d.
White Oats	per cwt.	6	5	6	5
Potatoes:					
Arran Victory	do.	4	8	1	8
Kerr's Pink	do.	4	6	2	1
Up-to-Dates	do.	5	2	0	9
Main crop—all classes	do.	4	7	1	6
Hay—1st and 2nd year's	per ton.	59	10	74	11
Meadow hay	do.	38	9	55	6
Hay—all classes	do.	51	3	65	1
Oat straw	do.	39	0	43	9
Flax	per st.	5	1	8	7½
Pork (dead-wt.)	per cwt.	69	3	94	0
Farmers' Butter: Print	per lb.	1	4½	1	8½
Lump	do.	1	2	1	5
Eggs—Hen	do.	0	5½	0	7
Duck	per 120	8	1½	8	9
Poultry—Hens	per head	2	2	2	5
Chickens	do.	3	8	3	5
Ducks	do.	2	0	2	1

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

ARMY AND NAVY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.—A final dividend of 1/7½ per share, making a total for the year ended January 25, 1931, of 2/3 per share, or 22½ per cent., as compared with 25 per cent. paid for the past six years. The carry forward is £125,243, against £117,762.

ASSOCIATED ELECTRICAL INDUSTRIES.—The directors have decided to recommend a dividend of 6 per cent. per annum, less income tax, on the Ordinary Shares in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1930. (Same.)

BROWN BOVERIS, A.G.—The dividend for 1930 of Brown Boveris, A.G., at Mannheim, will be 5 per cent., against 9 per cent. in the previous year.

BURMAH OIL PREFERENCE PAYMENTS.—The directors of the Burmah Oil Company, Ltd., have resolved to pay the half-yearly dividends on the 6 per Cent. First Preference, the 6 per Cent. Second Preference, and the 8 per Cent. Preference Shares, less 3/1¼ in the £1 (being amount of British income tax, less relief in respect of Dominion income tax), on April 30th, to shareholders on the register at the close of business on April 10th.

CALLARD, STEWART AND WATT.—Interim dividend at rate of 10 per cent. per annum, less tax, on Ord. (Same.)

CRAIGHEAD TEA.—Directors recommend dividend of 15 per cent. on Ord., making 20 per cent. for year (23 per cent.); forward, £8,487 (£8,388).

ENGLISH ELECTRIC.—The report of the directors of the English Electric Company, Ltd., for the year 1930 states that the trading profit amounted to £2,857, and provision for interest on Debentures, Debenture Stock, bank and other loans, rent of Rugby works, and other charges, amounted to £106,653. Having regard to the fact that the reorganisation of the capital did not become effective until about June 14, 1930 (on which date figures were available to enable the results up to that time to be ascertained), the directors have charged the loss for that period, amounting to £72,184, against the sum available on reduction of capital. This leaves a balance of £31,611, representing the loss from June 15 to December 31 last to be carried forward to the debit of profit and loss account. When the scheme for the reorganisation of capital came into operation last June (following upon which the sum of £850,000 was received in cash for the new Ordinary Shares) it was decided to strengthen the board by the appointment of directors having a specialised knowledge of the company's products. Sir Holberry Mensforth has, at the board's invitation, accepted the position of chairman. As a result of the chairman's preliminary survey of the company's works and business activities, Mr. G. H. Nelson was appointed managing director. The first result of these appointments, the report points out, has been that drastic changes have been made in the method of operation and in the *personnel* of the company, which will decrease the cost of production without detriment to the high technical standard of the company's products. The changes made include the transfer of the commercial engineering and accounts departments from London to the works at Stafford, which now become the centre of the company's operations. The production of electrical plant and prime movers has been concentrated at Stafford, Rugby and Bradford, certain lines of manufacture having been transferred to those works from Preston, where the company's activities are now confined to rolling stock. As capital expenditure at the works has been written down by over £560,000 under the scheme for reorganisation, no provision has been made for further depreciation for the year, but the buildings and plant, it is added, have been fully maintained out of revenue. For the year 1929 there was a loss of £47,211 after charging debenture interest, etc., increasing the debit balance to £430,727.

HIGHLAND DISTILLERIES.—Directors have decided to postpone consideration of dividend until close of company's financial year, which ends on August 31. At this time last year interim was 16⅔ per cent. actual, less tax.

I.G. FARBENINDUSTRIE.—A dividend of 12 per cent., as for the previous year.

INTERNATIONAL HOLDING AND INVESTMENT.—The report of International Holding and Investment Company, Ltd., for 1930 states that interest and dividends received in cash amounted to $2,187,830, which compares with $1,760,580, while dividends received in stock totalled $50, as against $6,266. Interest absorbed $672,098, leaving the net ordinary income $292,632 lower at $1,515,783. Realisation of investments resulted in a loss of $1,224,467, as against a profit of $3,899,748 in the previous year, but, after allowing for a profit of $493,357 on investments sold, underwriting profits of $17,428, and royalties of $16,678, the net loss is $697,002. After deducting this sum from the net ordinary income there remained a balance of $818,780. Payment of the 6 per cent. dividend guaranteed on the "A" shares of the International Artificial Silk Company of Paris required $470,400, administrative expenses $33,954, and sundry other expenses $8,372, leaving a balance of $306,053 which, it is proposed, shall be carried forward. A dividend of 20 cents per share was paid in respect of 1929, and the surplus of $10,877,293 was transferred to the investment account. Net assets at the close of 1930 amounted to $19,155,298, the asset value per share being $3.92, which compares with $5.58 a year previously. The aggregate value of the company's investments on December 31st last was $28,458,761, which showed a depreciation of $32,469,932 as compared with their original cost of $60,928,693. During the year certain investments in artificial silk companies have been sold to an affiliated company and the market, and this sale accounted for the loss mentioned above, while sales of investments in electric light and power companies yielded a profit. On December 31st last 75 per cent. of the company's investments were in public utility undertakings, 19 per cent. in artificial silk companies, and 6 per cent. in banks, railways, and miscellaneous securities.

JOSEPH TRAVERS AND SONS.—Dividend on Ord. of 10 per cent.; forward £10,001. (Last year dividend same; £7,075 forward.)

KRAMAT TIN DREDGING.—Interim dividend of 6d. per share, less tax, on account of the year ending 31st January, 1932. (A first interim of 6d. per share was paid on January 10.)

LONDON AND COLONIAL INVESTMENT.—Interim dividend at rate of 5 per cent. per annum (2½ per cent. actual) on Def. Stock, less tax, in respect of year ending September 30, 1931. (Same.)

MEURISSE.—Meurisse, the Belgian chocolate manufacturers, report that turn-over and net profits for 1930 were in excess of any previous year. The trading profits were £46,473, compared with £41,183 for 1929. The net balance was £22,921 (against £21,754), after debiting £13,173 in respect of taxation, depreciation, and loss on investments, £1,673 proportion of cost of London agency, £5,000 off preliminary expenses, and a special grant to Mr. Albert Meurisse of £1,300. The directors recommend a dividend of 4 per cent., less tax, on the Ordinary Shares, which compares with 6½ per cent. for the previous year. The balance to carry forward is £10,115 (against £1,144).

MYSORE GOLD.—The accounts of the Mysore Gold Mining Company, Ltd., for the year ended December 31st last show that the profit amounted to £127,071, in contrast with £130,710 for 1929, and, with the addition of other credits amounting to £3,332 and the sum of £8,671 brought in there is a total of £139,074. Income tax account takes £10,424, depreciation of machinery and plant £20,000 (same), while transfers of £15,000 and £7,000 respectively are made to the reserve fund and insurance and contingency fund. As previously announced, the directors propose to pay a final dividend of 9d. per share, making a total of 1/3 per share, as against 1/9 per share for 1929, leaving a balance of £8,875 to carry forward. The strike of Indian employés last April, the report adds, caused a cessation of work in all departments of the mine for a period of three weeks. This seriously affected not only the financial results of the year, but retarded progress with the deep development work, and largely contributed to the rise in working costs. Ore reserves at December 31st last were estimated at 471,418 tons, or 45,606 tons less than a year ago.

RAJAMAI TEA.—Interim dividend of 10 per cent., less tax. (Same.)

ROSARIO DRAINAGE COMPANY.—Interim dividend of 3 per cent., less tax, on the old Ordinary for the half-year ending 31st December last.

SOFINA.—The Société Financière de Transports et d'Enterprises Industrielles ("Sofina"), the big financial organisation interested in electric utility, transport, and chemical undertakings, will report a net profit of 155,432,054 Belgian francs for 1930, compared with 116,217,174 francs for the period 19th October, 1928, to 31st December, 1929. The available total is 166,653,952 francs, compared with 140,036,548 francs. The profits for 1930 would allow of the payment of a dividend of 140 per cent., or 700 francs, on the 200,000 Ordinary Shares of 500 francs each, and it is expected that such a payment, which would require 140,000,000 francs, will soon be announced. For the previous period this rate was paid on 97,756 Ordinary Shares, and only half that rate was paid on the remaining shares.

SOUTH WANARAJAH TEA.—Dividend of 12½ per cent. on Ord., making 22½ per cent. for year. (Same.)

SOHO.—Dividend of 20 per cent., less tax, on Ord. shares; additional remuneration to directors, £1,665; forward, £15,832.

SECOND SCOTTISH MORTGAGE AND TRUST.—Interim dividend of 4 per cent. actual, less tax, on issued Ord. Stock in respect of year to September 30. (Same.)

SELANGOR RUBBER.—The report for the year to December 31, 1930, states that the trading account shows a loss of £1,511. After paying the dividend for 1929 and allowing for the allocations mentioned in last year's report, including directors' commission, the balance brought forward amounted to £14,627. From this there falls to be deducted the above loss of £1,511, less gain on realisation of War Loan, £535, leaving at credit of profit and loss account the sum of £13,651, which the directors recommend should be carried forward to next account. Crop harvested during the year on a conservative tapping system was 691,120lb. No tapping was done in May in accordance with the arrangement agreed to by British and Dutch growers. The manager has been instructed to aim at a modified crop not exceeding 700,000lb. for the current year. The visiting agent reports that the estate was maintained in good order. Every possible economy in expenditure is being effected. Labour was sufficient for all requirements, and the health of the staff and labour force was good throughout the year. At the close of the year Glasgow Rubber Estates, Ltd., in which the company has a one-third interest, had a planted area of 2,044½ acres rubber. It is not intended to plant up any further extensions meantime. Trading account in the previous year showed a profit of £8,102, and a dividend of 5 per cent. was paid.

SPRING VALLEY CEYLON ESTATES.—Operations in 1930 resulted in a profit of £31,734, which compares with £47,835 in 1929. To the former figure was added £13,203 brought in, making £44,937. As already announced, the dividend is to be reduced from 27½ per cent. to 20 per cent. by a final payment of 12½ per cent., and after reducing the allocation to reserve from £5,000 to £2,500 a balance of £13,387 will be carried forward. The tea crop fell from 1,334,762lb. to 1,218,901lb., and the sale price from 21.16d. per lb. to 19.46d. per lb., but costs rose from 55.90d. per lb. to 59.56d. per lb.

TOWN INVESTMENTS.—Interim dividend of 10 per cent. (same), and an interim bonus of 2 per cent. on the Ordinary Shares of the company, in respect of the half-year ended 29th March, 1931.

WHITBREAD AND CO.—Slightly smaller profits are shown in the accounts for 1930, the amount earned being £351,478, against £362,930 in 1929. The dividend is maintained at 12 per cent., but the bonus is reduced from 3 per cent. to 1 per cent. Reserve is credited with £100,000, against £146,991 a year ago, after which a slightly larger sum remains to go forward at £230,274.

OIL REPORT.

Mexican Eagle Oil Co.—El Burro—Well No. 1 has reached a total depth of 854.76 metres. Production test—First 24 hours, 3,262 barrels oil, 339 barrels water; next 24 hours, 2,785 oil, 932 water; next six hours at rate 2,570 oil, 1,089 water. Indications are that the water originates from the bottom, and the well is, therefore, being plugged back. El Burro is located south-west of the Tonala Field, and, so far as can be judged, is separated from that field.

FOOD AND ...

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CATTLE.

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Numbers on Sale this week as compared with last week.

Beasts	2,279	increase	28
Sheep and Lambs	4,675	increase	149
Veal Calves	5	—	—

Altogether cattle may be repo... 1s. per cwt. dearer over the wee... ordinary and rough descriptions a... and market sold up more quick... some weeks past. Cross-Channel ... still weak, and generally trade in... tion showed no improvement wit... numbers taken, but prices paid ... owing to scarcity of the primer ... the beef cow department trade pr... for the nice young sorts, which ... late rates, but all other sorts we... as ever to cash, and not cleared ... hour. Bulls generally were a di... sale, although there was a fair ... the light classes, but the heavier ... almost unsaleable. Prime han... cattle 43s. to 46s., occasionally 47... per cwt.; secondary sorts 41s. to 42... 38s. to 40s.; beef cows, best 27s. to ... 33s. cwt.; secondary and inferior 1... and bulls 26s. to 33s. cwt., accordi... and condition.

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DAIRY CATTLE.—There were 22... milch cattle registered for sale ... market. The attendance of buyer... creased, there being a return of bu... Lancashire, which was held up by ... mouth disease. Cattle in this dis... now be moved without licence. ... welcome here, and trade to-day w... better, and a fair number of ca... shipped. Prices on the whole were f... heifers, say, 10s. to 20s. per head de... an earlier clearance made at: Co... £20 to £24, occasionally £25 p... heifers, £20 to £24: secondary sorts ... £19: smalls, etc., £11 to £16.

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YORK.—Light show of Irish store ca... none of outstanding quality. Cattle dear ... slow, late rates being maintained. Some ... 'lish stores from the moors, which sold well... offer of dairy cattle, but no further reduct... in some cases an advance of 10/-. Poor ... sheep, mostly Mashams, and slow trade.

BIRMINGHAM PIG.—Short supplies ... owing to the holidays, and a small trade ... at more or less nominal values. How... change was effected in the prices obtaine... able bacons 13/6, cutters 14/- to 14/6 a... and sows 9/- per score dead-weight.

BRISTOL.—Mutton 11d. to 1/-. Beef ... 84/- per cwt.; lamb 1/5 to 1/6. About 2... cattle on offer, for which trade was slo... yearlings up to £15, and a few two an... year-olds up to £21 10/-. milch cows £23... up to £32 to £34 for extra.

DONNELLY, DUBLIN.

Pigs under	6 stone	...	73/-	per cwt., dea...
" "	8 "	...	68/-	"
" "	13 "	...	66/-	"
" "	14 "	...	64/-	"
" "	16 "	...	58/-	"
Finished Sows		...	42/-	"

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GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (BA...

WHEAT—Cargo market firm, following stea... seas cables, but demand slow. No. 1 N... Manitoba Vancouver shipment April sellers ... No. 2 ditto 23/10½, South Australian bul... also April 21/-, New South Wales afloat 21... Australian afloat also April 21/9, Rosaf... loading 20/6. Sale—Part cargo 5,000 ton... Australian, April 21 bill of lading per King... sold 21/-. Parcels occasionally 3d. per ... dearer. No. 1 Northern Manitoba April ... 25/-, No. 2 ditto 24/6, No. 1 Northern M... Vancouver shipment April 25/-, No. 2 ditt... 23/9, No. 3 April 22/4½, No. 4 Manitob... 21/6, Australian afloat to May 21/3, West ... lian afloat also May 22/- per quarter of ... Liverpool futures firmer in sympathy with in... c.i.f. values. Quotations at 1.15 p.m., per ... of 480lb.:—Manitoba grade May 22/2 after ... paid, July quoted 22/3½, August 22/6½, ... ber sold 23/4½, London grade April 19/2... 19/8. MAIZE—Cargoes in quiet demand, b... for steady prices. Plate afloat sellers 18/6... April 16/3, April 18th 17/-, May also June ... Parcels in fair request, and tendency dearer ... afloat sellers 18/9, March-April sold 15/10½, ... May sold 15/7½. May-June also June-July ... 15/6 per quarter of 480lb. BARLEY q... sale on about former terms. Parcels of I... April new contract sellers 13/9, Danubian ... April-May 15/3, No. 3 Canadian Western ... April-May 14/10½, Plate April-May 14/... quarter of 400lb.; Californian old landed Apr... sellers 26/-, Chilian forage f.a.q. April-May ... per 448lb. OATS firmer. Plate new Apri... May sellers 10/-, June 10/1½; Chilian f.a.q. ... May 10/6 per quarter of 320lb.

MANCHESTER.—English wheat rather ... at 22/6 to 23/6 per quarter on rail. C... oats 5/9 to 6/- per cwt. on rail. ... barley 16/9 per 400lb. ex elevator. English ... 27/6 to 28/- per quarter on rail.

LIVERPOOL.—WHEAT — Overnight ... turned out about as expected, and a slight im... ments registered in forward deliveries of wh... the outset was soon lost. Then prices fluc... moderately, but later on moved upwards ow... scarcity of sellers; better demand for actual ... and small Russian shipments for past week... late afternoon cables were encouraging and ... rates marked a liberal advance on last night... parcels No. 1 Manitoba 30th April sold at 2... Western Australia 5th July-5th August 2... Liverpool; No. 1 Manitoba 16th April 24/9... 24/6 and South Australian afloat at 21/- to ... chester c.i.f. parcels MAIZE 3d. dearer, 16... quarter being paid for River Plate April ... ment. Wheat on the spot firm and dearer. ... spot parcels steady at 4/4 per cental for ... Plate. FLOUR quiet at unchanged prices. ... wheat futures opened 6d. per cental dearer, ... gave way until ¼d. under last night had ... registered, when prices moved upwards with ... variation, the market in the end being firm a... to ½d. over yesterday's final rates.

PROVISIONS

LIVERPOOL.—BACON—Continental is ... in fair demand, especially for Danish, ... realises 2/- to 3/- per cwt. over the official ... tions, supplies being fairly well cleared. Irish ... American, however, remains quiet at late ... HAMS steady at unchanged rates, with a ... more inquiry for short cut. SHOULDERS ... and picnics partially reduced 1/- to 51/- and ... per cwt. LARD on the spot in sympathy ... easier c.i.f. rates is partially 6d. lower; Amer... refined now offered at 48/- to 50/- per cwt. ... moderate business reported. CHEESE quiet, ... steadily held at late rates. BUTTER firm ... Colonial moves fairly into consumption at the r... advance. EGGS quiet and easier at 8/9 to ... for extra selected Irish hen, 8/6 to 8/9 sele... 7/9 to 8/3 mediums, and 11/- to 11/6 for ... eggs per 120.

BRISTOL.—BACON was in good demand at ... recent rates, the closing tone being some... firmer. Gammons, streaks and fores met a st... clearance. HAMS were a disappointing sale. ... prices barely steady. LARD ruled steady, wi... moderate inquiry. CHEESE—Trade was ra...

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FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

Dublin—Cattle in improved demand and 1/- per cwt. dearer, Sheep at late rates, Lambs 5/- to 7/- per head lower. York—Cattle firm for Stores. Bristol—Stores slow. Butter 2/10 lower at Copenhagen. Rubber stronger. Copper and Tin rising. Wheat firm.

CATTLE.

DUBLIN (METROPOLITAN). — Larger number of cattle on offer here this week, entries totalling 2,279 head, this being about the average supply for season. There was a fairly good attendance of home and cross-Channel buyers, and trade all round showed improvement. Real choice quality handy weights were conspicuously scarce, and commanded dearer terms; in fact, the market throughout showed a decidedly hardening trend in values, which became more and more confirmed as business proceeded. Sellers were not slow in accurately gauging the situation and recognising the insistent demand, particularly with regard to home trade requirements for prime quality animals.

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Veal Calves	5	—	—	11	4

Altogether cattle may be reported a good 1s. per cwt. dearer over the week, with the ordinary and rough descriptions a freer sale, and market sold up more quickly than for some weeks past. Cross-Channel markets are still weak, and generally trade in this direction showed no improvement with regard to numbers taken, but prices paid were higher owing to scarcity of the primer cattle. In the beef cow department trade proved steady for the nice young sorts, which maintained late rates, but all other sorts were as slow as ever to cash, and not cleared at a late hour. Bulls generally were a disappointing sale, although there was a fair inquiry for the light classes, but the heavier sorts were almost unsaleable. Prime handy weight cattle 43s. to 46s., occasionally 47s. and 48s. per cwt.; secondary sorts 41s. to 42s., rougher 38s. to 40s.; beef cows, best 27s. to 32s., extra 33s. cwt.; secondary and inferior 16s. to 26s., and bulls 26s. to 33s. cwt., according to class and condition

SHEEP AND LAMBS.—In this branch of market supplies were larger, there being 4,675 head to deal with. Trade was good for suitably fed or useful turned-out classes of mutton, but, like cattle, prime sorts were scarce and were quickly bought up in the early morning at last day's top values; then sales dragged somewhat in an effort to clear the big class sheep, as most of these were wanting in flesh and finish. Still there was a fair clearance made at middle stages of business. Lambs were in larger supply, and were a most disappointing sale, and even for the best classes prices showed a drop of, say, 5s. to 7s. per head, possibly more at closing stages, while some were returned unsold. Prime mutton, 10d. to 11d. per lb.; other classes, 7d. to 9½d.; wethers, 50s. to 84s. per head; hoggets, 40s. to 63s.; ewes, 40s. to 72s. and 76s., and lambs, 30s. to 50s., extra 56s.

DAIRY CATTLE.—There were 227 head of milch cattle registered for sale on this market. The attendance of buyers was increased, there being a return of buyers from Lancashire, which was held up by foot-and-mouth disease. Cattle in this district can now be moved without licence. This was welcome here, and trade to-day was much better, and a fair number of cattle was shipped. Prices on the whole were firm, with heifers, say, 10s. to 20s. per head dearer, and an earlier clearance made at: Cows, best, £20 to £24, occasionally £25 per head; heifers, £20 to £24; secondary sorts, £17 to £19; smalls, etc., £11 to £16.

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FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES (BALTIC).—WHEAT—Cargo market firm, following steady overseas cables, but demand slow. No. 1 Northern Manitoba Vancouver shipment April sellers 25/4½, No. 2 ditto 23/10½, South Australian bulk afloat also April 21/-. New South Wales afloat 21/-, West Australian afloat also April 21/9, Rosafe 63lb. loading 20/6. Sale—Part cargo 5,000 tons South Australian, April 21 bill of lading per King Edgar, sold 21/-. Parcels occasionally 3d. per quarter dearer. No. 1 Northern Manitoba April sellers 25/-, No. 2 ditto 24/6, No. 1 Northern Manitoba Vancouver shipment April 25/-, No. 2 ditto afloat 23/9, No. 3 April 22/4½. No. 4 Manitoba April 21/6, Australian afloat to May 21/3, West Australian afloat also May 22/- per quarter of 480lb. Liverpool futures firmer in sympathy with improved c.i.f. values. Quotations at 1.15 p.m., per quarter of 480lb.:—Manitoba grade May 22/2 after 22/1½ paid, July quoted 22/3½, August 22/6½, November sold 23/4½. London grade April 19/2, June 19/8. MAIZE—Cargoes in quiet demand, but held for steady prices. Plate afloat sellers 18/6, April 16/3, April 18th 17/-, May also June 15/9. Parcels in fair request, and tendency dearer. Plate afloat sellers 18/9, March-April sold 15/10½, April-May sold 15/7½. May-June also June-July sellers 15/6 per quarter of 480lb. BARLEY quiet of sale on about former terms. Parcels of Persian April new contract sellers 13/9, Danubian f.a.q. April-May 15/3, No. 3 Canadian Western new crop April-May 14/10½. Plate April-May 14/9 per quarter of 400lb.; Californian old landed April-May sellers 26/-, Chilian forage f.a.q. April-May 23/6 per 448lb. OATS firmer. Plate new April also May sellers 10/-, June 10/1½; Chilian f.a.q. April-May 10/6 per quarter of 320lb.

MANCHESTER.—English wheat rather scarce at 22/6 to 23/6 per quarter on rail. Cheshire oats 5/9 to 6/- per cwt. on rail. Feeding barley 16/9 per 400lb. ex elevator. English beans 27/6 to 28/- per quarter on rail.

LIVERPOOL. — WHEAT — Overnight cables turned out about as expected, and a slight improvement registered in forward deliveries of wheat at the outset was soon lost. Then prices fluctuated moderately, but later on moved upwards owing to scarcity of sellers; better demand for actual wheat and small Russian shipments for past week, while late afternoon cables were encouraging and final rates marked a liberal advance on last night. C.i.f. parcels No. 1 Manitoba 30th April sold at 24/7½, Western Australia 5th July-5th August 22/- to Liverpool; No. 1 Manitoba 16th April 24/9, May 24/6 and South Australian afloat at 21/- to Manchester C.i.f. parcels MAIZE 3d. dearer, 16/- per quarter being paid for River Plate April shipment. Wheat on the spot firm and dearer. Maize spot parcels steady at 4/4 per cental for River Plate. FLOUR quiet at unchanged prices. Graded wheat futures opened 6d. per cental dearer, then gave way until ½d. under last night had been registered, when prices moved upwards with slight variation, the market in the end being firm and ½d. to ¾d. over yesterday's final rates.

PROVISIONS

LIVERPOOL.—BACON—Continental is again in fair demand, especially for Danish, which realises 2/- to 3/- per cwt. over the official quotations, supplies being fairly well cleared. Irish and American, however, remains quiet at late rates. HAMS steady at unchanged prices, with a little more inquiry for short cut. SHOULDERS quiet, and picnics partially reduced 1/- to 51/- and 55/- per cwt. LARD on the spot in sympathy with easier c.i.f. rates is partially 6d. lower; American refined now offered at 48/- to 50/- per cwt., with a moderate business reported. CHEESE quiet, but steadily held at late rates. BUTTER firm and Colonial moves fairly into consumption at the recent advance. EGGS quiet and easier at 8/9 to 9/- for extra selected Irish hen, 8/6 to 8/9 selected, 7/9 to 8/3 mediums, and 11/- to 11/6 for duck eggs per 120.

BRISTOL.—BACON was in good demand at full recent rates, the closing tone being somewhat firmer. Gammons, streaks and fores met a steady clearance. HAMS were a disappointing sale, with prices barely steady. LARD ruled steady, with a moderate inquiry. CHEESE—Trade was rather quieter, and Colonial makes were slightly inclined in buyers' favour. BUTTER sold quietly at about previous rates.

CARDIFF.—Quietly irregular conditions continue on this market, the slackness in the shipping business limiting general requirements. Wholesale quotations, delivered in Cardiff districts:—BACON: Irish baled unaltered at 85/- to 89/-; Danish dearer at 68/- to 70/-; Canadian Wiltshires and American not on offer. HAMS—American steadier at 72/- to 83/-. BUTTER—No Irish offered. Danish steady at 130/- to 134/- per cwt. EGGS—Irish hen, best again rather cheaper at 8/6 to 9/- per 120. POULTRY—Chickens 11d. to 1/2, hens 7d. to 10d. per lb.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT. — Supplies to market, 2,280 tons (427 tons British and Irish produce and 1,853 tons imported). Slow trade for fresh beef at slightly easier prices; chilled met a better demand, with hinds firm. BEEF (national-mark price)—English long side, select 5/4 to 5/6. There was no Irish beef supply to the market yesterday. Supplies of pork more than ample for quiet trade at weaker prices. PORK—English. under 10st. 6/8 to 7/4, do. 10 to 15st. 6/- to 6/8, do. 15 to 20st. 5/4 to 5/8; Irish 5/8 to 6/8.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Cauliflowers in very heavy supply. Demand good in early morning sales, but later prices dropped to clear. Other arrivals small and found ready buyers at the following:—York cabbage 60/- to 90/- load, Savoy 35/- to 60/-, extra 80/-; cauliflowers, early sales, 2/6 to 3/- doz., later 1/6 to 2/-; Swedes 1/6 to 1/8 cwt., mangolds 1/1 to 1/4 cwt., carrots 1/9 to 2/- doz., rhubarb 2/- to 4/- doz., white turnips 6d. to 9d. bunch, mint 3d. bunch and thyme 3d. bunch.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Trade continues fair for the light supplies coming forward. Values firm at 6/6 per cwt. for best qualities.

COPENHAGEN.—Butter is quoted at 200 kroner per 100 kilo, which is equivalent to £5 12/2 per cwt., being a decrease of 2/10 compared with the previous week.

DUBLIN FISH.—Another heavy supply on market; two steam trawlers landed 453 boxes, mostly cod and whiting. Also on offer 22 packages salmon, 10 chests lobster, 40 boxes mackerel, and a good supply from country and local senders. Demand fair at—Salmon 2/3 to 2/5 per lb., lobsters 20/- to 25/- per 13 large, mediums 10/- to 15/-, smalls 5/- to 7/6; soles 30/- to 40/- per 9 pairs large, mediums 15/- to 20/-, slips 7/6 to 10/-, turbot 6d. to 15/- each, brill 6d. to 10/- each, plaice 40/- to 70/- per half box, cod 15/- to 30/-, whiting 8/- to 20/-, 20/-, ray 12/6 to 22/-, pollock 10/- to 15/-, hake white soles 30/- to 40/-, conger eels 12/6 to 30/ to 105/-, ling 12/6 to 15/-, and mackerel 8/- to 10/- box.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Soles 12d. to 24d., slips 16d. to 24d., lobsters 16d. to 28d. per lb.; live eels 15/- to 25/-, dead 10/- to 22/- per daught; turbot 12/- to 17/-, brill 11/- to 15/-, plaice 8/- to 14/-, halibut 15/- to 18/-, lemon soles 11/- to 16/-, witches 10/- to 13/-, cod 3/- to 5/-, whiting 3/- to 5/-, hake 11/- to 14/-, skate wings 4/- to 6/-, haddocks 3/- to 7/- per stone.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—With steady inquiries both on grocery and manufacturing account, a fair general business resulted at 1½d. advance. Raw refining sugars still offered with reserve. Terminal dearer, with steady support accorded. May sold 6/6 to 6/6½-6/6. August 6/9 to 6/9¼. December 7/0¼ to 7/1½-7/0¾, March 7/4¼, May 7/7. COCOA —Only a quiet spot movement at late rates; forward quiet. Accra G/F April-May to Continent quote 23/- c.i.f. Terminal steady, but idle. RUBBER steadier on balance, with better inquiries from the trade and partly on American account. Sheet spot sold 3⅝d. to 3¾d., April 3¼d. to 3⅝d., May 3⅜d., June 3⁷⁄₁₆d to 3⅜d., July-September 3⅝d., October-December 3⁹⁄₁₆d., and January-March 3⅞d. JUTE—Market disclosed a quiet appearance during early hours, but later buyers became more prominent, and prices hardened slightly, as sellers adopted reserved measures. A moderate amount of business was effected. Firsts March-April Continent sold £15 11/3 to £15 12/6, April-May £15 15/- to £15 16/3, May-June £15 17/6 to £16, June-July £16 2/6; Lightnings April-May sellers £14 15/-. Hearts £13 15/-. Daisee £14 15/-, and Tossa £15 17/6 c.i.f. SHELLAC—Market steadier. T.N. spot 77/6, May sold 68/- to 69/-, August 70/- to 71/-. October 72/- to 72/6, March-April and April-May shipment sellers 64/-.

OILS—Linseed steady; spot sellers 18/3, April 16/7½, May-August sold 17/3, September-December sellers 18/1½. Rape dull; crude spot 30/6, refined 32/-. Cotton steady; crude Egyptian spot 21/6, common edible 25/6, deodorised 27/6. Cocoanut inactive; Ceylon drums April-May 23/9, Galle ditto 23/3. Turpentine quiet; American spot 41/6, May-June 42/- per cwt. OILSEEDS—Linseed market quiet, but holders refrain from pressing, and tone steady. Indian descriptions nominal. Plate to Hull April-May £8 15/-, May-June £8 18/9, June-July £9, July-August £9 1/3, August-September £9 2/6, September-October £9 3/9. Rapeseed quiet; Toria to Hull Continent April-May (also May-June) £11 10/-. Cottonseed steadier; Egyptian black to Hull April (also May) £6 7/6, white ditto £6 1/3. Bombay April-May (also May-June) £5 5/-. Groundnuts steady; Coromandel machined April £12 7/6, May £12 8/9, June £12 10/-, July £12 12/6, August £12 15/-, September £12 17/6. Soya beans maintained; Manchurian April sellers £6 5/-, May (also June) sold £6 5/-, July (also August) sellers £6 5/-. Gingellyseed steady, with fair inquiries; Chinese April-May (also May-June and June-July) £15 5/- per ton.

LIVERPOOL—CANE SUGAR steady and unchanged. COCOA—West African on spot rather more inquired for and prices steady. Values of fine fermented Accra in bond 25/-, forward shipments fair fermented Accra without change. Sales—April-May shipment 20/6 per cwt. f.o.b. fair fermented Accra. COFFEE—The present favourable prices attract buyers more freely in the better roasting grades, and values for special lots well maintained. The lower varieties a shade steadier, but business of small dimensions. HEMP—Manila unsettled, with a slightly easier tendency, sellers basis K grade £18 15/-, L1 £17 15/-, L2 £17 5/- per ton April June and May-July shipments c.i.f. terms. JAPANESE PEAS continue at £18 5/- to £18 10/- ex-store, and £17 15/- to £18 per ton c.i.f. forward shipments. RICE BRAN—Burmah April-May shipments quoted 72/6 per ton ex-ship terms, but business continues slow. OIL CAKES—Imported descriptions in rather quiet demand; linseed continues at £7 American, and £8 River Plate c.i.f. April shipments. PALM KERNELS quiet and in buyers' favour, sellers April-May and May-June shipments £10 16/3, and buyers £10 13/9 per ton. Sales—May-June and June-July £10 15/- and £10 17/6. TALLOW quiet, sellers April shipments South American No. 1 frigorific 22/9. and buyers 22/6 per cwt c.i.f. terms. Sales—May-June 22/6.

LIVERPOOL—SUGAR—Messrs. Tate and Lyle's quotations:—Crystals—Ones 23/-. Granulated—Standard 21/-. Yellows—Thirds 20/9.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MANCHESTER HAY AND STRAW.—Quiet consumptive demand for both hay and straw after holidays, but late rates maintained. General quotations:—Lincolnshire rye grass and clover £5 to £5 5/-, Cheshire £4 10/- to £4 15/-, oat straw 65/-, wheat straw 65/- per ton, all delivered Manchester.

LONDON METALS MARKET.
COPPER AND TIN RISING.

TIN—Eastern advices were steadier, and here a firmer tone prevailed, sellers showing more reserve in face of fair inquiries, though dealings marked some irregularity. On balance both cash and forward were officially 47/6 per ton up. Standard cash quoted £116 5/- to £116 7/6, three months £117 15/- to £117 17/6, settlement price £116 5/-. Sales amounted to 425 tons, three months at £116 10/- to £117 15/-. English ingots quoted £117 5/- to £118 5/-. In the East 350 tons reported sold on the basis of £119 c.i.f. terms. COPPER continues in fairly good support, and, with lighter offers, values moved in an upward direction. On balance both cash and forward showed a net advance of 16s. 3d. per ton. Standard cash quoted £43 7/6 to £43 8/9, three months £44 1/3 to £44 2/6, settlement price £43 7/6. 900 tons changed hands, cash at £43 5/-, three months £43 12/6 to £44 2/6; electros £45 10/- to £46 10/-, wire bars £46 10/-. LEAD market steady, and a fair business transpired. 600 tons sold, good soft foreign pig April at £12 6/3 to £12 3/9. July £12 15/- to £12 13/9, settlement price £12 5/-; English quoted £13 10/-. SPELTER in better demand, and prices fully maintained. 600 tons sold, April at £11 17/6, May £12, July £12 7/6, settlement price £11 17/6. TIN PLATES quiet. I. C. coke prompt and forward 15/6 per box f.o.b. Swansea. ALUMINIUM and QUICKSILVER unchanged. ANTIMONY quiet. English regulus £38 to £45. Chinese ditto spot £25. April-May sellers £21 15/-, Chinese crude April-May sellers £14 10/- per ton c.i.f. Antimony oxide April-May £23 per ton c.i.f. Antimony ore 60 p.c. April-May 3/2, 50 p.c. do. 2/6 per unit c.i.f. WOLFRAM—Chinese April-May sellers 13/3 per unit c.i.f. Second Session:—Tin dull. 200 tons sold. Cash quoted £116 5/-, three months sold £117 15/- to £118 5/- and £117 12/6. Copper quiet. 400 tons sold. Cash quoted £43 7/6. three months sold £44 6/3 to £44 2/6. Lead, also, spelter, unaltered.

STORE CATTLE SALES.

MESSRS. GANLY, SONS AND CO.

A larger number of cattle was offered yesterday than last week. The class and quality were the best offered for some weeks, consisting entirely of exceptionally good animals consigned direct from well-known feeders. There was a very large attendance of buyers, including several new purchasers for home and cross-Channel requirements, and again keen demand, with good prices, was experienced for all lots of well-bred cattle. Prices approximating to last week's quotaions were exceeded in several instances. One pen of choice Aberdeen-Angus heifers consigned from F. Coughlan made top live-weight quotation—51/- per cwt.—and Joseph McKenna's Aberdeen -Angus and Hereford cross heifers were 50/6 and 49/6 per cwt. Other lots of very good A.A. and Hereford cross bullocks and heifers, 46/- to 49/- per cwt. The wagons of very good horned and polly bullocks consigned from Sir H. H. A. J. Walsh realised from £19 10/- to £17 10/-, averaging 43/6 per cwt.; other lots of horned and polly bullocks, 42/- to 44/- per cwt.; shorthorn heifers, 43/- to 46/6 per cwt.

MESSRS. GAVIN LOW, LTD.

The number of cattle at yesterday's sale was about the same as last week, although small for this season of the year. Buyers, both home and cross-Channel, were numerous, on the outlook for useful stores, which were scarce, and not nearly equal to the demand. The improvement in weather conditions, with the early prospect of grass, encouraged spirited bidding, and all useful lots changed hands around last week's extreme rates. Nice well-bred young stock met a good trade, and practically a complete clearance was made. Aberdeen Angus and Hereford crosses made from 50/- to 44/- per cwt., horned bullocks and heifers from 45/- to 40/-, heifers up to 48/- per cwt.

F.M.S. TIN PRODUCTION.

Production of tin ore in the Federated Malay States during March is reported at 4,461 tons, an amount which is 1,009 tons less than the February production, and 989 tons less than the January production. The diminished March figures reflect the coming into operation as on March 1, of the international tin regulation scheme, and represent a curtailment of approximately 22 per cent. on the average monthly figures for 1929.

VALUE

At the reduced price "Emerald" Pig Meal is best value in Pig Feeding. 14 lbs. goes as far as 21 lbs. of Pollard, Maize, etc. Sample and name of nearest merchant from manufacturers.

PAUL & VINCENT Ltd., DUBLIN. Estd. 1848.

FAITHFUL TO OLD CUSTOMS.



Korean natives at their mid-day meal. It will be noticed that they are using cho psticks, and are eating off little tables while seated on a raised dais.

U.S. MARKETS.

WEAK CLOSE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Yesterday's modest recovery was regarded as technical, but the reversal of the markets' recent trend created a more cheerful undertone. The opening was firm.

A broad advance took place in early trading, but, with yesterday's rally apparently not sufficiently decisive to discourage bears, the market sold off substantially. Rallying tendencies, however, again developed towards midday, when some Motors, Aviations, Utilities and Industrials showed advances of 1 to 2 points. Trading afterwards became quiet and of a highly professional character, with price movements uncertain, but many stocks advanced 1 to 3 points.

The firmer tone of commodity markets and better demand for Bonds were steadying influences. Rails, however, were subjected to pressure. Call money was in plentiful supply at 1½ per cent. In late trading the market became unsettled, with weakness in Rails an outstanding feature. The close was weak.

	Thur.	Wed.
Call Money	1½b, 1¾a	1½b, 1¾a
Exchange on Lon.—60 days' sight	4.83 1/4	4.83 3/16
Do. Do. Demand Bills	4.85 25/32	4.85 11/16
Cable Transfers	4.85 15/16	4.85 29/32
Do. Montreal	4.86 1/8	4.86 1/8
Exchange Paris cable	3.91 1/8	3.91 1/8

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Closing B'd. Thur	Wed
180 1/8	Atchison Topeka, Santa Fe	175	180 1/8
111 1/8	Do Preferred	108	105 3/4
72 1/2	Baltimore and Ohio	70 1/2	72 1/2
33 3/4	Canadian Pacific (New Stock)	33 5/8	33 3/4
40 1/8	Chesapeake and Ohio Com.	40	40 1/4
5 11/16	Chicago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul	5 1/2	5 1/2
35 1/2	Chicago and North-West	34 1/2	35 1/2
26 1/2	Erie Shares	25 3/4	27
35 5/8	Erie 1st Preferred	34 5/8	36
67 5/8	Illinois Central	66	69
89	Louisville and Nashville	85 1/2	90 1/4
26	Missouri Pacific	25 1/4	27
108 1/8	New York Central & Hudson R.	105 1/8	108
194 1/16	Norfolk and West Com.	189	195
46 9/16	Northern Pacific Com.	45 1/4	46 1/2
56 11/16	Pennsylvania Shares	55 1/8	55 3/4
71	Reading Shares	69	72 1/8
93 3/8	Southern Pacific	90 3/4	94 1/2
41 11/16	Southern Railway	40 1/2	41 1/2
176 11/16	Union Pacific	171 1/4	178 1/2
124 3/4	American Can. (New Stock)	121 1/4	122 1/8
47 5/16	American Smelting (New Stock)	46	47
33 1/16	Anaconda Copper	32 7/8	32 7/8
54 1/2	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	53	54 5/8
102 5/8	Consolidated Gas (New York)	99 1/4	99 1/2
47 15/16	General Electric (New Stock)	46 1/2	46 1/2
44 1/2	General Motors (New)	43 1/4	43
11 15/16	Inter Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	11 1/2	12
18	International Nickel	17 1/2	17 3/8
123 15/16	National Lead	120 1/2	120 1/2
32 7/16	Pan-American Petroleum "B"	31 1/2	31 1/2
20 11/16	Radio Corporation	21 1/8	20 7/8
37 11/16	Royal Dutch Petroleum	36 5/8	36 3/8
30 1/4	Shell Transport and Trading	29 5/8	29
7 9/16	Shell Union Oil	7 3/8	7 1/2
17 1/2	U.S. Rubber	17	17 1/8
140 11/16	United States Steel Common	136 3/4	137 1/2
152 7/8	Do Preferred	148 5/8	148 5/8
22 1/4	Brazilian Traction	21 5/8	21 3/8
21 1/16	Brit.-American Tobacco Coupon	20 1/2	20 1/8
10 13/16	Gramophone Co.	10 1/2	10 1/8
24 13/16	Hydro. Electric	24	24
12 5/8	International Pet. Canada, New	12 1/4	12 5/8
—	Silver Commercial Bars	28 1/8	27 1/2
	BONDS.		
109 5/16	U.K. 5½% Bonds, 1937	106 1/4	106 1/2
92 1/16	Do. Funding Loan 4%	89	89
102	Do. War Loan 5%	99 1/8	99 1/8
106 11/16	U.S. Treasury 3½% Bds. 1946-56	106 1/8	105 3/4
108	7% German External Loan	105	104 3/4

SUPPLEMENTARY INDUSTRIAL PRICES.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Parity.	Stocks.	Thur.	Wed.
95 11/16	Air Reduction	93	94 1/2
136 5/16	Allied Chemical	132 1/2	135
14 15/16	American Super Power	14 3/8	14 7/8
193 11/16	American Tel. and Tel.	188 1/4	180
124 3/8	American Tobacco "B"	121	122
62 3/8	American Waterworks	60 5/8	61
96 11/16	Case Threshing	94	95 1/2
22 3/8	Chrysler Corp.	21 3/4	22 1/4
11 5/16	Columbia Graphophones	11	11 1/4
17 1/8	Commercial Solvents	16 5/8	16 3/4
76 3/8	Drug Incorp.	74	73 1/2
96 15/16	Du Pont	94 1/4	94 3/8
163 1/16	Eastman Kodak	158 1/2	159
49	Electric Bond and Share	47 5/8	48 1/2
52 5/16	Electric Power and Light	50 7/8	51 1/4
27 1/8	Fox Film	26 5/8	26 1/4
33 5/16	Gillette Safety Razor	32 1/4	31 3/4
45 13/16	Goodyear Tyre	44 1/2	45
34 7/16	International Tel and Tel.	33 1/2	33 3/4
65 1/16	Johns-Manville	63 1/4	63 5/8
24 11/16	Kennecott Copper	24	23 3/4
27 15/16	Kreuger and Toll.	27 1/8	26 3/4
87 7/16	Liggett and Myers "B"	85	85 1/2
83 3/16	Lambert Co.	80 7/8	80 7/8
102 1/8	McKeesport Tin	99 1/4	98 3/4
19 13/16	Mexican Seaboard Oil	19 1/4	18 1/2
22 3/4	Montgomery Ward	22 1/8	22 1/2
81	National Biscuit	78 3/4	78 3/4
29 9/16	National Cash Register	28 3/4	29 1/2
48 1/8	National Dairy Products	47 1/2	47 1/8
37 13/16	National Power and Light	36 3/4	37 1/8
79 5/16	North American Company	77	77
9 1/4	Packard Motors	9	9
45	Paramount Publix	43 3/4	43 5/8
87 7/16	Public Service of New Jersey	85	85 1/2
20 11/16	Radio Corp. of America	20 1/8	21
21 5/8	Radio Keith Orpheum	21	21 3/8
53	Reynolds Tobacco "B"	51 1/2	51 1/2
37 15/16	Royal Dutch	36 7/8	36 1/2
54 1/2	Sears Roebuck	53	53 1/4
74 9/16	Standard Gas and Electric	72 1/2	73 1/4
44 3/4	Standard Oil of N.J.	43 1/2	44
65 5/16	Union Carbide	63 1/2	63
25 5/16	United Corp.	24 1/2	24 7/8
32 13/16	United Gas Improvement	31 7/8	32 1/4
57 1/4	Vanadium Corp.	55 5/8	56 1/4
12 1/2	Warner Bros Pictures	12 1/8	10 5/8
85 5/8	Westinghouse Electric	83 1/4	83 1/4
62 5/8	Woolworth	60 5/8	60 7/8

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

*Eng. Equiv.	Stocks and Shares	Clos'g Prices Thur.	Wed.
7 5/16	Abitibi Power & Paper Co., Ltd	7 1/8	8 1/4
5/8	Asbestos Corporation, Ltd.	3/8	3/8
22 3/8	Brazilian T. L. & P. Co., Ltd.	21 3/4	21 5/8
40 7/8	Brit Columbia P. Corp., Ltd., A	39 1/4	40
14 3/8	Do Do Do B	14	14
1 3/16	Brit. Empire Steel Corp., Ltd.	1 1/8	1 1/8
19 1/16	Do 1st Pref., Series B	18 1/2	18 1/2
3 1/16	Do. 2nd Preferred	3	3
147 3/16	Calgary Power Co., Ltd.	143†	143†
16 7/16	Canadian Car Common	16	16 5/8
24 7/16	Do. Preferred	23 3/4	23 7/8
17 1/4	Canada Cement Co., Ltd.	16 3/4	16 3/4
51 1/2	Canadian Cottons Co., Ltd.	50	50
1 5/16	Canada Power & Paper Corp.	1 1/4	1 1/4
7 3/16	Canada Steamships Lines, Ltd	7	7
20 9/16	Do Preferred	20	20
9 3/8	Cockshutt Plow Co., Ltd., Com	9 1/8	9
156 7/8	Con. Mining & Smelting Co. of Canada, Ltd	152 1/2	152 1/2
47 13/16	Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.	46 1/2	47 1/4
125	Dominion Glass	121 1/2	120
81 1/4	Dominion Textile Co., Ltd.	79	80
36	Famous Players Can. Corp.	35	35
8 3/4	Hollinger Con. Gold Mines	8 1/2	8 1/4†
17 3/4	Inter Nickel of Canada, Ltd.	17 1/4	17 1/2
7 3/16	Massey Harris Common	7	7
64 5/16	Montreal L. H. & P. Consd.	62 1/2	62 3/4
34 5/16	National Breweries, Ltd.	33 3/8	33 3/8
35	National Steel Car Corp., Ltd.	34	34 1/2
277 3/4	Ogilvie Flour Mills	270†	270†
10 5/16	Port Alfred P. & P. Corp. Pfd.	10	10
61 3/4	Power Corp of Canada, Ltd.	60	59 3/4
38 1/16	Price Bros. and Co., Ltd.	37	37 5/8
45 1/8	Quebec Power Co.	43 7/8	43 1/2
2 9/16	St. Lawrence Corporation	2 1/2	2 1/2
54 13/16	Shawinigan Water & Power Co.	53 1/4	53
30 3/8	Sth. Canada Power Co., Ltd.	30	30
39 5/8	Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd.	38 1/2	38 3/4
303 1/2	Bank of Montreal	295	290
232 1/2	Canadian Bank Commerce	226	225
293 11/16	Royal Bank of Canada	285 1/2	285 1/2

* Asked; † Ex div.; ‡ Ex interest; § Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT—Manitoba steady, ¼c. up; red winter steady, unchanged.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Amber Durum, spot	—	—
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	—	—
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	71 1/8	70 7/8
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	—	—
No. 2 Red Winter spot	93	93

RYE steady and unchanged. No. 2 spot, 43¼.
BARLEY inactive.
MAIZE steady and unaltered.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed spot	74 5/8	74 3/8

LARD, steady at 5 points loss. Prime Western steam, 9.50; Middle West, 9.35 to 9.45.
FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 3.90 to 4.35.

FREIGHTS.
Heavy grain to Great Britain, per qr., 1/6 to 2/3. Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lb., 8c. to 8½c. Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lb., 45c.; standard bales, 60c.
PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day	Prev. day
Mid-Continent Crude	33-33.9	33-33.9
Baume at Well	53 cents	53 cents
Pennsylvania Crude	1.45-1.85	1.45-1.85

COFFEE—

Closing Options—	May	July	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	1932 Jan.	Mar.
To-day	4.74	4.85	4.93	4.95	5.04	5.10	5.13
Prev. day	4.70	4.82	4.89	4.91	4.99	5.04	5.07

SUGAR—The market finished steady, with futures 1 point lower to unchanged. Spot easier at 3 points decline. 96 test centrifugal Cuban local spot, 3.35. Approximate day's sales, 37,000 tons.

Closing Options—	May	July	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.	1932 Jan.	Mar.
To-day	1.31	1.40	1.47	1.51	1.56	1.58	1.64
Prev. day	1.32	1.41	1.48	1.52	1.57	1.58	1.64

TALLOW steady. Spot extra loose, 4¼; spot special extra, 4; spot in tierces, 4⅝.
COTTONSEED OIL—Futures steady, 5 points down to unchanged. Prime summer yellow spot, 7.70. Closing options—May, 7.90; July, 8.00; Aug., 8.00; Sept., 8.10.
SHELLAC—T.N., 18¼.
TURPENTINE—Spot, 55¼; Savannah spot, 49¼ to 50.
METALS.—Straits Tin firmer; spot and nearby New York, 26.00; future option, May, 26.10. Lead steady and unchanged; spot, New York, 4.50; spot, East St. Louis, 4.25. Pig Iron steady; Northern No. 2 plain, f.o.b. Furnace, Eastern Pennsylvania, 17.85; No. 2 plain Buffalo, delivery Boston, 20.41. Copper—The United States Copper Export Association quotes copper c.i.f. Hamburg, April-May-June, 10.30; July, 10.35.

NATIONAL METAL EXCHANGE.
Tin quiet. Closing options—May, 25.80 to 26.05; July, 26.05 to 26.25; September, 26.25. Copper quiet. Standard new contract closing options—May, 8.55; June, 8.60; July, 8.65.

WINNIPEG GRAINS.
WHEAT was steady at the opening and ½c. to ¾c. higher, due to encouraging foreign news and a good export demand from the Continent. Better outside buying and a lack of Russian pressure, coupled with an improved inquiry from millers abroad and Saskatoon reports of an intense dust storm, caused further advances. Later, however, a partial reaction set in under realising; but the market closed steady and ½c. to ¾c. up. Opening options—May, 58⅞; July, 59⅞; October, 61⅞. Closing options—May, 58¾; July, 59⅞; October, 61⅞. Rye steady and unchanged to ⅛c. up. Closing options—May, 31¼; July, 33; October, 35⅛. Oats steady at ⅛c. to ¼c. gain. Closing options—May, 27⅞; July, 27⅞; October, 29⅞. Barley steady at ⅛c. advance. Closing options—May, 27¼; July, 29; October, 31⅜. Flaxseed steady, ¼c. lower to ¼c. higher. Closing options—May, 103⅞; July, 105⅛; October, 106⅞.

Wheat receipts (carlots).	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	122	206
No. 2 Northern	71	152
No. 3 Northern	16	28
No. 4 Northern	3	9
Other grades	276	677
Total	488	1,072

RUBBER quiet, but steady. First latex crepe, spot, 6⅝ buyers; smoked ribbed sheets, spot, 6⅝ buyers, 6⅞ sellers.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

Continued dryness in the spring wheat belt and buying by Eastern houses caused wheat to advance. An announcement that no change had been made in the Stabilisation Corporation policy, together with the improved cash demand and extremely light offerings, also tended to cause a rise. Increased fears of insect damage and reports that one million bushels of Farm Board wheat had been cleared from Duluth for Montreal materially assisted the market, but later there was a partial set-back due to bearish private crop reports and also on local selling. Maize values rose on unsettled weather and an improved shipping demand. The steady cash position, together with the steadiness of the wheat market and commission house support, were helpful factors for the rise in prices. Rye moved in sympathy with wheat, while oats prices advanced on a better cash demand and in unison with the strength of other grains.

WHEAT opened steady. May old contract ⅛c. higher and new contracts ⅛c. to ⅜c. dearer. The closing was steady. May old contract being unchanged and new contracts unaltered to ⅛c. dearer.

	To-day.	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	—	—
No. 3 Hard Winter, spot	—	—

Futures—Opening options—	May	July
To-day	83 1/8	—
Prev. day	83	—
Futures—Closing options—		
To-day	83	—
Prev. day	83	—

New Contracts options—	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
Opening	84 1/8	61 3/4	60 1/4	63 1/4
Closing	84	61 5/8	60 1/16	62 15/16

MAIZE commenced steady, with May old contract ⅛c. lower and new contracts ⅛c. up to unchanged, closing steady. May old contract unaltered and new contracts ⅛c. to ½c. higher.
Spot No. 2 mixed Western unquoted.

Futures—Opening options—	May	July
To-day	60 1/4	—
Prev. day	60	—
Futures—Closing options—		
To-day	60 3/8	—
Prev. day	60 3/8	—

New Contracts options—	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
Opening	61 1/4	62 1/2	60 1/4	—
Closing	61 1/4	62 1/2	60 1/2	53 3/8

OATS closed steady at ¼c. advance for May old contract. New contracts showed gains of ¼c. to ⅜c.

Futures—Closing options—	May
To-day	29 5/8
Prev. day	29 1/8

New contracts.—Closing options—May, 30; July, 30½; September, 30¾; December, 32⅝.

RYE at the close was barely steady and ⅜c. cheaper for May old contract. New contracts were ⅝c. down to unchanged. No. 2 spot unquoted.

Futures—Closing options—	May	July
To-day	35 3/4	—
Prev. day	36 1/8	—

New contracts.—Closing options—May, 36; July, 38¼; September, 39⅝; December, unquoted.

PROVISIONS—Lard commenced steady. The market declined owing to the easiness of hogs, and closed barely steady, with futures 5 to 2½ points cheaper and spot 5 points lower. Prime Western steam spot, 8.75.

LARD—Closing options—	May	July	Sept.	Oct.
To-day	8.75	8.90	9.02½	9.00
Prev. day	8.80	8.92½	9.05	—

BACON steady, without alteration. Short ribs sides (60lb. average), 10.37½.
HOGS steady, with light descriptions showing 10 points advance and heavy sorts 10 to 5 points dearer. Light-weight, 7.85 to 8.00; heavy-weight, 7.00 to 7.30.

	To-day.	Same day last year
Receipts—Chicago	16,000	22,000
" Western	64,000	87,000

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURN.

The recent gold acquisitions by the Bank of England are reflected in a rise of £1,636,181 in the total gold holding, making the total £147,023,368, as compared with £160,781,478 last year. As a result of Easter currency requirements, the active note circulation has further expanded by £1,827,947 to £358,884,883, so that the reserve is £191,766 lower on the week at £48,138,485, which is £13,392,670 lower than at the corresponding date in 1930. Public deposits have fallen by £7,379,603 to £9,863,140 and private deposits by £693,296 to £34,000,142, but bankers' deposits have risen by £718,548 to £59,506,768. Government securities in the banking department stand at £33,399,684, which is £3,050,000 higher than last week, but £22,462,225 lower than the same date in 1930. Discounts and advances have fallen by £13,738,898 to £10,889,986, a movement which reflects the amount of the market's repayments to the Bank, while securities are £2,923,875 higher at £28,609,002. Consequent upon the fall of over £7,000,000 in total deposits, the proportion of reserve to liabilities now stands at 46.5 per cent., as against 43.6 per cent. last week and 52.5 per cent. last year.

WEEK ENDED APRIL 8, 1931.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes Issued—In Circulation	£358,884,883	Govt Debt	£11,015,100
In Banking Dept.	47,236,643	Other Govt. Securities	234,217,104
		Other Securities	10,690,711
		Silver Coin	4,077,085
		Amount of Fiduciary Issue	260,000,000
		Gold Coin and Bullion	146,121,526
Total	£406,121,526	Total	£406,121,526

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government Securities	£33,399,684
Rest	3,112,327	Other Securities — Discounts and Advances	10,889,986
Public deposits	9,863,140	Securities	28,609,002
Other deposits—Bankers	59,506,768	Notes	47,236,643
Other Accts.	34,000,142	Gold & Silver Coin	901,842
7-day & other Bills	1,780		
Total	£121,037,157	Total	£121,037,157

The following shows the position of the Bank of England now and at same date in the previous two years:—

	1931.	1930.	1929.
	£	£	£
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	358,884,883	359,250,323	362,130,979
Public Deposits	9,863,140	15,167,701	17,205,719
Other Deposits	93,506,910	101,908,734	100,517,648
Govt. Securities	33,399,684	55,861,909	53,276,855
Other Securities	39,498,988	17,351,529	28,763,947
Reserve of Notes & Coin	48,138,485	61,531,155	53,351,721
Coin & Bullion	147,023,368	160,781,478	155,482,700
Reserve to Liabilities	46.5%	52.5%	45.31%
Bank Rate	3%	3½%	5½%
Consols	57¾	56⅛	55⅜
	£	£	£
Clearinghouse Return	770,277,000	946,568,000	889,921,000

FATHER MATHEW FEIS WINNER.



Miss Iris Louise Copeman, who won the gold medal for advanced playing at the Father Mathew Feis, in Dublin.

THE EASTER LAW SITTINGS.

MUCH BUSINESS FOR NEW TERM.

THE business for the Easter Law Sittings, which will open in Dublin Castle on next Monday, will be very brisk. The lists for all the courts are heavy for this term, and are likely to provide more work than the judges possibly can dispose of before the sittings end on the 21st of next May.

THE SUPREME COURT.

There are 25 appeals listed for hearing in the Supreme Court. One of these is of considerable commercial and shipping interest, and relates to an action for damages for injury to tobacco on transit from the United States of America to Dublin. The action was brought by Messrs. Michael Macnamara and Son against the owners of the steamship Hatteras, and came before the High Court on an agreed statement of facts in the form of a special case for the opinion of the Court on questions of law. The plaintiffs claimed £2,483 5s. 4d. (reduced by credits in the statement of claim to £1,686 15s. 4d.) as damages for alleged breaches by the defendants in contracts contained in two bills of lading, or, alternatively, for damages sustained by the plaintiffs by reason of the alleged negligence of the defendants, their servants or agents, in the loading, stowage and carriage of sixty-nine hogsheads of leaf tobacco. It was stated that the tobacco was delivered to the defendants at Norfolk, United States of America, in good order and condition and was so shipped on the Hatteras. On arrival at Dublin the tobacco was found to be damaged by vermin which had penetrated into the hogsheads during the voyage.

Twenty-one bales of rabbit skins, which had been shipped at New York in the same ship, and stowed in the same part of the ship as the tobacco were, on arrival at Dublin, found to contain vermin of the same species, and the Court was asked to assume, for the purpose of its decision on the questions of law, that the vermin were not due to, or caused by, anything inherent in the tobacco, but originated in, and came from, the rabbit skins.

QUESTIONS OF LAW.

The questions of law which the plaintiffs and the defendants had concurred in stating for the opinion of the Court were:—(1) Whether, on the true construction of the bills of lading, and in the absence of negligence, as alleged, on the part of the defendants, their servants or agents, the defendants are liable for the damage caused to the plaintiffs' tobacco by vermin; and (2) whether, on the true construction of the bills of lading, the defendants are exempt from liability for the damage caused to the plaintiffs' tobacco by vermin, notwithstanding negligence, as alleged, on the part of the defendants, their servants or agents.

The defendants now are appealing from so much of the order of the High Court as states: "This Court is of opinion that on the true construction of the bills of lading in the special case, and in which absence of negligence is alleged on the part of the defendants, their servants or agents, the defendants are liable for the damage caused to the plaintiffs' tobacco by vermin, as in the said case mentioned." The defendants are applying for an order that these words may be set aside and rescinded, and that in lieu thereof it be declared that, in the opinion of the Court, on the true construction of the bills of lading in the special case, and in the absence of negligence, as alleged, on the part of the defendants, the defendants are not liable for the damage caused to the plaintiffs' tobacco.

VERDICTS OF JURIES.

There is an appeal on behalf of Messrs. W. and G. T. Pollexfen and Co., Ltd., of Sligo, against a judgment for £900 and costs given at a jury trial in favour of Mrs. Elizabeth Feeney, of Abbey street, Sligo, in her action under the Fatal Injuries Act against Messrs. Pollexfen and Co., Ltd., claiming damages for the death of her husband, Michael Feeney, caused, as she alleged, by the collapse of a scaffolding which he was using while unloading grain from the ship Charterholme.

An appeal is being taken by a Southern plaintiff, Miss Honora May Minihane, from the verdict of a jury, found by direction of the judge, in favour of the Rapid Transit Co., of Cork. The plaintiff claimed damages for injuries received while travelling as a passenger on an omnibus of the defendant company, but, it appeared, that she occupied a place upon the driver's platform at the time of the accident, and the jury found as stated.

TWO £3,000 VERDICTS.

Another appeal in a personal injuries action is one by the Hibernian Taxi Co., of Dublin. In this case Miss Gertrude McGreene, of Kilkee, Co. Clare, who formerly was a nurse in a Blackrock hospital, claimed damages, and was awarded £3,000 by a jury. The defendants are seeking to have this verdict set aside on the grounds that it was against the evidence and the weight of evidence; that the damages were excessive, and that the trial was unsatisfactory.

The Cork Distillers Co., Ltd., are appealing from a verdict of a jury for £3,000 damages in favour of Mr. Shaun O'Dwyer, a commercial traveller, of Clontarf, who claimed damages for personal injuries and damage to his motor cycle, caused, as he alleged, by being struck by a motor car, the property of the defendant company, at Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow.

A DETECTIVE'S INJURIES.

One of the appeals is brought by the Clare County Council in a case that originally was heard at the Circuit Court in Ennis. In the Circuit Court, John O'Driscoll, a detective officer, stationed at Knock, Co. Clare, claimed compensation for alleged malicious injury. From the evidence it appeared that the applicant had been searching for ammunition, and that he was injured by an explosion when a box that was discovered was opened by another Civic Guard, who was killed. Judge McElligott awarded the applicant £400 compensation, and from that award the Clare County Council appealed to the High Court, one of the grounds being that the claim did not come within the provisions of the Grand Jury Act.

The High Court differing in their opinion, the decree of the Circuit Court Judge, in the result, was confirmed, and, in the circumstances, the County Council are appealing to the Supreme Court.

There are five cases for hearing in the Court of Criminal Appeal.

OTHER IMPORTANT CASES.

There is a substantial volume of work to be done in Mr. Justice Meredith's Court, the most interesting case being that of Antonio Epicella and Matteo Costantino, Italians, against Emilio Scala, another Italian, and the Hospitals' Trust, Ltd., and others, in connection with the first prize of £354,544 in the Grand National Sweepstake. An interim injunction already has been granted restraining the payment of the first prize money until the hearing of a motion for an interlocutory injunction pending the trial of the action. It is understood that the motion for the interlocutory injunction will be listed for next Monday. The plaintiffs allege that Mr. Scala held the winning ticket in a pool with them, and that they are entitled to a third share of the money, while, on the other hand, Mr. Scala denies this, and alleges that he bought the ticket outside the pool.

Another important case for hearing in the same Court is that of the Governors of the Erasmus Smith Schools against the Attorney-General and a number of "special defendants." The plaintiffs claim declarations that the object of Erasmus Smith in providing property and creating and endowing the charitable trusts administered by them was to propagate the Protestant faith according to the Scriptures, and to provide for the education, advancement and assistance of Protestants, and that they are bound to hold and administer the property vested in, or transferred to them, or their predecessors, in such manner as to give full effect to, and carry out such end and object; and that they are bound to ensure that the teaching of Protestant doctrine is an essential element in the education provided in the schools maintained and assisted by them with and out of the proceeds of such property.

A COUNTER-CLAIM.

The Attorney-General does not admit that the objects of Erasmus Smith were those stated by the plaintiffs, and submits that the paramount object of Erasmus Smith was the uplifting and disciplining, by means of education, of the poor children of the tenants and inhabitants on his lands; and that before, and at the time of the foundation and endowment, and ever since, the great majority of the children whom it was intended to benefit by the endowment were, and have been, Roman Catholics. The Attorney-General counter claims that the matter be referred to the Examiner to settle a scheme for the government, ordering, and regulating of the charity.

The "special defendants" say that Erasmus Smith promoted the trusts with the paramount object of endowing a free educational foundation for the children of tenants and inhabitants of his Irish estate, and of other poor persons, and had little or no concern for the propagation of any form of Protestantism and imposed no religious tests. They counter-claim for a declaration that the trusts are charitable, and that the paramount object of the trusts was educational, and not religious. They also claim that a scheme for the administration of the trusts may be settled by the Court.

INCOME TAX FORMS.

In an action which is being brought by Joseph Hogan and Bridget Hogan, of Malahide, Co. Dublin, executor and executrix of Patrick Hogan, licensed vintner, late of Malahide, deceased, against the Special Commissioners of Income Tax and the Attorney-General, the plaintiffs claim an order declaring that certain forms served on them in February and March of last year, requiring them to make returns of the total income, from all sources, of the late Mr. Hogan for the years from 1923 to 1926 for the purposes of assessment to the super tax are illegal, unauthorised, and *ultra vires*, and that they are under no obligation to comply with the requisitions.

John Reinhardt, of Croydon Park, Fairview, Dublin, and fourteen other men residing in various parts of the city have an action against the Dublin Corporation, claiming pensions to which they say they are entitled, and which were granted by the Corporation, by whom they had been employed for many years, but had not been paid to them.

In addition to these cases there are very many motions and construction summonses to be disposed of by Mr. Justice Meredith.

Mr. Justice Johnston also has a long list to get through. One of the actions in his court deals with the registration of a patent agent, and is brought against the Minister for Industry and Commerce, a question at issue being whether the plaintiff both resides and has a place of business in the Irish Free State.

ROSCREA MARKET CASE.

There is an action by the Attorney-General against the County Council of Tipperary (North Riding) and a number of residents in Roscrea relating to the Roscrea market scales site; and a motion will be heard in a case of Robert Leggett and eight other British ex-Service men against the Irish Sailors' and Soldiers' Land Trust and the Attorney-General of the Irish Free State.

The plaintiffs seek a number of declarations in respect of the terms of the contracts of tenancy of ex-Service men's cottages, and the defendants have served notice of motion for an order that the plaintiffs' statement of claim may be struck out on the ground that, as they allege, it discloses no reasonable cause of action; and that all further proceedings in the action may be stayed or dismissed.

There are twelve cases of *habeas corpus, certiorari, mandamus* and *quo warranto;* eight cases stated, and one revenue petition for hearing before other judges of the High Court.

VALUATION OF GAS COMPANY'S PREMISES.

An application will be made on behalf of the Alliance and Dublin Consumers' Gas Company for an order to make absolute a conditional order in the nature of *mandamus*, directing the Commissioner of Valuation to show cause why he should not be ordered to supply to the Gas Company copies of field books and documents relating to the revised valuation on their premises, and other information and particulars of the valuation. The Commissioner, it appeared, had increased the gross valuation from approximately £28,000 to approximately £70,000, and against this the company appealed, but the Commissioner refused to alter or amend it, or to allow the company to have access to the documents referred to. The company applied to the High Court, and were granted the conditional order.

There will be a further application on behalf of the same company for an order to make absolute a conditional order in the nature of a writ of *certiorari* directing Mr. T. J. Murray, one of the collectors of poor rates for the City of Dublin, and District Justice Little to show cause why an order and warrant of the District Justice for over £12,000 in respect of consolidated municipal rates, and almost £6,000 in respect of poor rates, should not be brought into the High Court for the purpose of being quashed.

There are eighteen jury cases and eleven non-jury cases already set down for hearing. Of the jury actions eleven are for damages for personal injuries, and two are probate suits. There are two actions for alleged libel. One claim is brought under the Fatal Injuries Act; one action is for alleged wrongful dismissal, and one for alleged negligence. The non-jury cases include two probate suits, one breach of promise action and one matrimonial suit.

The jury trials will begin on next Tuesday.

SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM LLOYD'S.)

FOREIGN MOVEMENTS.

Clonlee, for Bristol Channel, left Sables, Dolonne, April 5.
Franconia, cruising, arrived Chinwangtao, April 9.
Tamarac, from Dublin, arrived Philadelphia, April 8.
Laconia, cruising, left Ajaccio, April 9, for Algiers.

HOME MOVEMENTS.

St. Kenneth, for Dublin, left Port Talbot, April 8.
Rathlin, for Belfast, passed Lizard, April 9.
Tamnamore, from Treport, arrived Gravesend, April 9.
Lady Patricia, Dublin for London, passed Lizard, April 8.
President Roosevelt, New York for Hamburg, passed Lizard, April 8.
Craigolive, from Antwerp, arrived Gravesend, April 8.
Mary, from Belfast, arrived Clyde, April 8.
Samaria, for Liverpool, left Southampton, April 9.
Ebano, for Belfast, left Preston, April 8.
Jolly Frank, for Belfast, left Liverpool, April 8.
Rydal Force, for Dublin, left Liverpool, April 8.
Kilrea, from Rouen, arrived Gravesend, April 9.
Diamond, for Waterford, left Sunderland, April 9.
Carrickmore passed Cape Wrath, April 9, bound West. Isabeletta, for Newry, left Liverpool, April 8.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—29.90.
Wind and Weather at 5 p.m.—Easterly wind, light breeze; fine.
Foreign Arrivals—Sonnenfelde, of Hamburg, 491 tons register (Captain Rumbaur), from Hamburg, with general cargo; discharged at Transit Sheds, Alexandra Basin, and proceeded to Belfast with part cargo. Teelin Head, of Belfast, 369 tons register (Captain McConnell), from Antwerp, via Waterford, with general cargo; discharging at Transit Sheds, Alexandra Basin. Trito, of Rotterdam, 373 tons register (Captain Roll), from Rotterdam, via Belfast, with general cargo; discharging at Transit Sheds, North Wall Extension. Orlock Head, of Belfast, 840 tons register (Captain Kane), from Hamburg, via Cork, with general cargo; discharging at Transit Sheds, Alexandra Basin.
Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Munster, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; Lairdsford, from Glasgow, with passengers and goods; Assaroe, from Silloth, with passengers and goods; Slieve Donard and Snowdon, from Holyhead, with goods; Lady Kildare, from Liverpool, with goods; Cushendall, from London, via Drogheda, with cement; Briarfield, Alyn, Cairngorm and Elmfield, from Garston, with coals; St. Mungo and Ringwall, from Ayr, with coals; Agnes Ellen, from Liverpool, with tar; Glenageary, from Partington, with coals; Glencullen, from Ardrossan, with coals; Alder, from Swansea, with coals; Hamilton, from Drummore, light; Lady Wicklow, from Liverpool, light; Rusoilprod, from Preston, light; Slieve Bloom, from Holyhead, light.

Beet Price Deadlock.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CARLOW, Thursday.

The Carlow County Council has adopted the following resolution:—"That we view with grave concern the present deadlock between the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company and the Beet Growers' Association, as regards the price for next year's crop, and we call upon the Free State Government to use its influence to have this state of affairs ended. We urge this, not alone in the interests of the main parties concerned, but in the interests of the general body of taxpayers in the Saorstat, who contribute to the subsidy.

Among the promotions in the Post Office, announced last night, was that of Miss E. McIlree, sorting clerk and telegraphist, Portrush, to be postmistress, Ballymoney sub-office, Coleraine.